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REDS SMEAR FR. COUGHLIN WITH FRITZ KUHN BUND!

An Invitation to the Dies Committee

Newspapers continue to report attempts on the part of your Committee to link the name of Father Coughlin with that of Fritz Kuhn and the German-American Bund. This occasions in the Red press the smear of "Fascist" and "Nazi," hurled with boring repetition at the Priest of Royal Oak and SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

The American people, Mr. Dies, are entitled to know whether there is any link between Royal Oak and Berlin. It is their absolute right to have the facts, and all of them, brought to the surface by your Committee.

Instead of proceeding by way of innuendo, Mr. Dies, why do you not bring your Committee to Royal Oak and learn the full truth? You are invited to do this at your earliest possible convenience. If your Congressional appropriation cannot stand the expense, it will be paid by SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

Is not Father Coughlin entitled to a hearing before your Committee? Is he to be charged by the Red forces with un-Americanism and denied the opportunity of clearing himself before the tribunal set up by Congress for just this purpose? Is the insinuation method used by your Committee the "American way"?

Come and see for yourself, Mr. Dies. You are invited for the second time!

Will you accept?

AMERICA FOR AMERICANS MEANS ALL OF US, BUT WE MUST DROP HYPHEN

THE NEWS:

NEW YORK, N. Y.—*"Fritz Kuhn Says He Co-Operated With Coughlin,"* screams a headline in the *New York Post* above a news story from Washington which reports:

"Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German-American Bund, today told the Dies Committee that he had co-operated at various times with Father Coughlin, the Christian Front, the Silver Shirts and other organizations *having the same objectives as ours!*"

COMMENT:

That last line was the tip-off!

The Washington correspondent of the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, reporting the same hearing, said that Kuhn "admired Father Coughlin" but *"disclaimed any dealings with the Detroit Radio Priest."*

The International News Service reported that Kuhn told the Dies Committee that he had "invited the priest to speak at the Madison Square Garden Bund meeting in New York City last winter, which ended in a riot."

So that's the "co-operation." Patently, the Red *New York Post* wanted to smear Father Coughlin with a German "Nazi" Bund tie-up.

The Dies Committee, resuming its hearings, promised to turn the searchlight on Communists as well as "Fascists" and "Nazis." At once there went up a scream from the Reds, backed up by "Administration pressure," to keep the investigation on the "Nazis" and off of Communism—with its plot for a world war alliance with Soviet Russia, and revolution within this country.

SOCIAL JUSTICE does not charge—as was charged at the Dies hearing—that Fritz Kuhn's German-American Bund is a "racket." But we do say that the former Detroit automobile plant worker, now turned Bund leader, never had anything to interest Father Coughlin's co-operation; and that the Radio Priest never did "co-operate" with Kuhn as the *New York Post* would have its readers believe. Is this to be construed as deliberate falsification on the part of the *Post?*

Furthermore, we do not like any part of a hyphenated Americanism. The German-American Bund can never serve America as long as it carries that hyphen in its title.

"America for Americans" includes all Americans, no matter what country they were born in. We, or our forefathers, were all "foreigners" once; some of our ancestors "came over" earlier than others. But a German, or a Pole, or an Italian, who has become in good faith a citizen of this Republic, can be just as good an American as a "Mayflower descendant."

We're all Americans now and our common enemy is the internationalist. To defend America from his invasion

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FROM THE TOWER ★ RESPONSIBLE UNIONISM By Lewis Seward ★ A DAY WITH FATHER COUGHLIN

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SHRINE DINNER CHATS

From the Rectory

As Much as He Would Like to Do It

THERE ARE LITERALLY millions of persons who would like to meet and talk to Father Coughlin.

The millions have common sense to understand that, as much as he would like to meet and talk to them, it is a physical impossibility.

Moreover, if Father Coughlin ever undertook a program of shaking hands and granting interviews to all the persons who seek interviews, he would have no time to look at a letter, no time to write a sermon, no time to conduct the business of the office, and no time for anything or any other person except the psychiatrist who would be required to pacify his torn nerves.

Considerate persons understand these things and considerate persons are not given to seek interviews except on matters which Father Coughlin's secretaries consider most important.

How Reds Subvert Youth Groups

A MEMORABLE address of Dr. R. J. C. Dorsey. now incorporated in the *Congressional Record* (Aug. 3, 1939). deals with the planned subversion of youth in America.

"Among the delegates at the World Youth Congress at Vassar," says Dr. Dorsey, "were those from the Young Communist League. The All-Russian Young Communist League was organized in October, 1918, after the workers' revolution in Russia of November, 1917. Soon thereafter other Communist youth groups developed in various parts of Europe and out of this movement grew the International Youth Conference in Vienna of August 6, 1919, and from which came the International Communist Youth Organization for Young Communists between 16 and 22 years.

"This conference led to the meeting of the International Youth Congress in Berlin, Nov. 2-26, 1919, attended by 19 delegates from 14 countries. allegedly representing a membership of 229,000. It accepted the program of the Third Communist International, its affiliate, which had been set up in 1919. It advocated the overthrow of capitalism, government control by the workers, dictatorship by the proletariat, establishment of preparatory schools to teach Communism, creation of drill and defense squads, and otherwise training students and youth for the class struggle.

"Factories are to become Communist fortresses. In all unions youth sections are to be formed. Obedience to and defense of the Soviet Union were pledged. Slogans were: 'Black and white, unite and fight!', 'Do not abandon your friends, even though they still go to church on Sunday!' Zinoviev observed: 'The youth movement is the best section of the Communist International.'

"Other strictly youth groups sending delegates to the World Youth Congress at Vassar were:

"Student Peace Service, Student Peace Committee, Christian Youth Conference of North America, Youth Section American Jewish Congress, the National Council of Methodist Youth, National Council of Jewish Juniors, Roumanian Junior League Clubs, Junior Hadassah, National Student Federation of America.

"In order to preserve an appearance of respectability the Communists often include groups in their congresses that, strictly speaking, are not entirely of their faith. However, *the Communist groups control every situation.*

"The American League for Peace and Democracy has a youth section national committee. This parent organization was once known as the 'United States Congress Against War and Fascism' and for a time as the 'American League Against War and Fascism,' being a section of the World Committee Against War and Fascism, now the World Committee for Peace and Democracy.

"Lenin wrote: *'Frequent change of name bewilders the public.'* For example, in 1921 the 'Friends Disarmament Council' was formed, subsequently merged into the 'National Council for Limitation of Armaments', which in turn became the 'National Student Forum', which is conducted by the 'National Council for the Prevention of War.' This is a characteristic of radical groups."

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Thirty years ago there was no Popular Front in America.

Thirty years ago there was no Bolshevism in America. We were Americans and Christians before ever Bolshevism was conceived. If now it is gaining the upper hand, it is because of our apathy and lassitude.

You cannot legislate Communism from America. But you can legislate *the causes of Communism* from our midst.

You cannot outlaw the Reds' League for Peace and Democracy but you can *inaugurate a League for Christianity and Americanism in which all of us will become interested!*

A Surgeon's Prayer Before an Operation

DEAR SAINT LUKE, friend and medical adviser to St. Paul, guide my hand and my eye for the sake of my patient. Steady my nerves and my scalpel; watch the microbes and the nurses; make muscles, veins, arteries and nerves behave according to the book; keep an eye on the anaesthetist. Save us all from lapses of memory, fraying of tempers, confusion of bottles and instruments, miscounting of swabs and blunders of diagnosis. If it is "kill or cure," please cure; if it is "kill or maim," please maim, but save my patient and my reputation. And as there is no time for more praying, I say: Amen.

—Msgr. Jackman in the *"Holy Roodlets"*

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PAL AND PETE ON GUARD

HELLO FOLKS:

Well, this is gonna be my busy week—between now 'n Labor Day, I've got my work cut out f'r me, so I'm gonna really enjoy this little visit with you 'n relax a bit. Then yours truly'll hafta be on the job praktucly twenty-four hours every day from now on. I guess you all heard 'bout the thretning letter the Boss got some time ago. Well, if it meant what it said, I have some bodyguardin' t'do. 'Sides that, I'll hafta do my stuff along the detektuf line 'n see that no one comes near the Boss who doesn't look O.K. t'me.

I hope nothin' comes of all this—but if ennybuddy is lookin' f'r trouble, he'll get it, b'lieve me. I've been sharpenin' up my teeth on the hardest bones I could find, 'n I've been practisin' tusslin' with Pete 'n my leap is pretty good, too. I can really cover the ground. So all I gotta say is, trouble-makers, beware of the dogs 'round the Shrine. If ennybuddy tries to lay a hand on the Boss, they'll think a cyclone struck 'em. Pete 'n me're all set.

'Course, there'll be a big bunch of people here over Labor Day who're friends of ours. They won't hafta worry—I know friends when I see 'em. We Great Danes're uncanny that way.

Well, while all this is uppermost in my mind, of course, I'm not gonna let it get me down. It isn't botherin' the Boss enny—he's had letters from cranks before—but this is the first since I've been here, 'n that's the reason I'm impressed, I guess. Mebby I'll get used to it, too. Mebby somebuddy'll even go gunnin' for me, who knows?

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Well, life isn't all serious. We have fun, too. Someone presented the Boss with a new game las' week called *Badminton,* 'r somethin' like that. I watched 'em put it up in the yard 'n it seemed t'take f'rever 'n a day 'fore they got all set. Well, everythin' has an endin' 'n a beginnin', so finally they got goin'. I was awful curious to see how it was s'posed t'be played so I watched pretty careful. Well, the Boss got on one side of the net 'n Joe Wright, one of our staff members, y'member, got on the other, each with a silly lookin' thing in their hands they called a racket. Dear me, I thought y'weren't s'posed t'play 'round with rackets, but evudently these rackets were of the harmless variety. Well, the idea was to hit a ball with feathers on it—they called it a bird, but the likes of it I'd never seen fly 'round the Shrine before—'n get the thing over the net that was strung up in the middul of what they called the court. Well, I was pretty confused 'bout the names they were callin' all the parafunalya that goes with the game, but after watchin' a while I could see that the point t'the whole thing was t'get the ball over the net 'n whoever did it the best won the game. Well, I'm tellin' you, y'da thought there was nothin' in the world harder t'do than to sock that foolish lookin' bird over the net, the way Joe 'n the Boss weren't doin' it. They'd take a swipe at it, 'n miss most of th'time—'n did they look silly! But they kept at it 'til dark. I helped 'em out a bit—I sorta felt sorry for 'em the way they had to keep bendin' down pickin' up the ball—so I did a bit of chasin' f'r 'em. The Boss looked like he'd cave in by the time they quit. I think if he plans to play this game much he'd better eat his brekfast 'r there won't be much left of him f'r me to take care of.

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Have y'noticed how early it gets dark these days? It looks like summer's almost over, doesn't it? I kinda hate t'think of it, I've enjoyed it so much, what with all the 'citement of the pilgrumages 'n meetin' so many nice people from all over the country. That'll all end with Labor Day, I guess, 'cause everybuddy'll hafta stay home t'get the childrun off t'school 'n the mothers'll have all their cannin' t'do 'n their fall housecleanin'. I'll be kinda lonesome, I know, 'fore I get used to my reg'lar fall routine again.

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Speakin' of schools 'n routines remin's me that our school is all ready to open up 'n all the Sisters have their skedjules made out 'n 're all set to go. Gee! I don't see how they do it.

Father Cassian is superintendent of the school this year. Boy! Has he ever been busy these past cuppla weeks interviewin' the parents of all the young hopefuls. Each child is diffrunt (so the fond parents think) 'n each one mus' be handled with understandin' and takt. Dear me, Father Cassian's gonna be good if he keeps 'em all happy! I wouldn't want his job—I'm afraid I'd be in hot water all the time, 'cause I'm no diplomat, 'n y'hafta be if y're gonna be a superdeluxe superintendent of a school, I c'n see that.

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Yes, the more I see of other people's jobs the better satusfied I am with my lot in life. All I gotta do is t'see that nothin' happens t' the Boss 'n that subscriptions to SOCIAL JUSTICE come in fast enuf t'keep the ball rollin' 'round here. 'N I've got so many fine helpers with this end of the job that I really don't hafta worry too much 'bout it. You folks've done a swell job so far. 'n no one is more grateful to you than I am—I owe all my success as Circulation Manager to you.

'Fore I sign off once again, folks, I want t'remin' you that there are a lotta expirations this month, 'n you'll be gettin' a letter remindin' y'to renew your subscription if y'haven't done it already. Now, please don't put off takin' care of it, will ya? 'N while y're sendin' in your own subscription, see if y'can get a new one to slip along with it.

Goodbye, folks, 'n thanks f'r listenin'.

—PAL

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HERE AND THERE

By
Dr. Edward Lodge Curran

MOST READERS of SOCIAL JUSTICE have heard of Mr. Norman Thomas. He is head of the Socialist Party in the United States. Time and again he has appeared in newspaper headlines as a defender of the civil liberties of freedom of speech and freedom of assemblage and freedom of the press.

Not so many readers may be aware of what Mr. Norman Thomas told Mr. Earl Browder, General Secretary of the subversive American Communist Party, during their debate in Madison Square a few years ago.

Browder, who had just returned from Moscow with orders to create a Popular Front of American Liberals to fight for the cause of Communism, asked Mr. Thomas and the Socialists to go along with the Communists' plan for a United Front.

The reply of Mr. Norman Thomas was most enlightening and encouraging. In substance, Mr. Thomas replied:

"No, thank you, Mr. Browder! We Socialists know the record of Communistic tyranny and brutality in Soviet Russia. We know how you have tried to destroy religion in Russia. We know how your Moscow bosses have beaten the Russian workers to the ground. We know that your protestation of love for democracy in the United States is a fake.

"No, thank you, Mr. Browder! We Socialists know that you and your Communists *are the enemy of American democracy!*"

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Moreover, Mr. Thomas continued by giving some concrete evidences of Communistic hypocrisy. Before 1936, he pointed out, Earl Browder and the Communists called the President of the United States a "Fascist" and the New Deal "Fascism." But *since Browder's return from Moscow,* the Reds now call the political opponents of the President "Fascists."

"Moreover," continued Mr. Thomas, "while you, Mr. Browder, and your American Communists, were shouting from the housetops against the exportation of oil from the United States to Italy during the Ethiopian campaign, the Soviet government and the Russian Communists *were engaged in exporting Russian oil to Italy for the Ethiopian campaign!*

"Oh, no, Mr. Browder, Communism is the *enemy* of American democracy."

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The magazine mis-called *Equality* is evidently not satisfied with Mr. Norman Thomas' defense of free speech in the United States; *Equality* wants Mr. Thomas to become an out and out Red and denounce free speech except to those with whom *Equality* agrees.

Mr. Thomas is excoriated by *Equality* for having written to Father Coughlin:

"I do not hold you (Father Coughlin) responsible for all the merchants of SOCIAL JUSTICE may do, or for the young hoodlums who may attach themselves to your cause.

"Your name and fame make this a matter of such importance that I am releasing this letter to the press in the full assurance that your reply will receive equal or greater publicity."

To what does *Equality* object, and for what does it excoriate Mr. Thomas? Evidently, the "equality" of publicity which Mr. Thomas hoped the American press would give any reply from Father Coughlin.

"Letters like the one from Thomas to Coughlin," says *Equality,* "only help the Fascists."

To accuse Mr. Thomas of aiding "Fascism" when Mr. Thomas writes a letter to Father Coughlin, and when Mr. Thomas hopes that the secular press would give any reply of Father Coughlin's equal or greater publicity, reveals the de-equalizing campaign of *Equality* to destroy the civil liberty of freedom of speech in our midst.

Equality objects to the very use of the word "equal" by Norman Thomas. *Equality* believes only in "Communistic equality" which would silence even Norman Thomas!

Reds Steer Fr. Coughlin

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is the only war that Americans will ever fight again. Only a united America can save this country; hyphens weaken our unity.

The Communists wrecked one after another of the nations of Europe. That's why so many Europeans came to America. Now that you are Americans, are you going to let a bunch of Reds divide you and wreck your new home in America as they did in the Old Country?

Do not let any Communist tell you that "America for Americans" does not include Poles or Italians or Germans who have become good Americans. It includes *all Americans,* but we must drop our hyphens!

Mass Meetings in Key Cities To Be Addressed by Fr. Coughlin

Cincinnati and Boston Plan Rallies

A SERIES of mass meetings in key cities of the country, beginning with the huge twin gatherings at Philadelphia, on July 14, and now sweeping westward and up into New England, give evidence of the progress and renewed interest in Christian social justice.

Cincinnati's mass meeting, to which Father Coughlin will speak by public address system from Royal Oak, is scheduled for Friday evening, August 25, at the Music Hall, Elm and 14th Streets.

Cincinnati Rally Friday, August 25

Under the chairmanship of Mr. Walter Schlichten, several prominent men of Ohio and Kentucky will deliver addresses. It is expected that more than 7,000 persons will attend.

Arrangements for the meeting have been in the hands of Mr. Fred Geier, 2535 Dennis Street, Cincinnati, and his committee. Admission will be by ticket only, and distributors of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine have been supplied with tickets for their friends and customers.

Boston Meeting Planned September 8

Social justice-minded groups in Boston and Eastern Massachusetts will convene in a large mass meeting on the evening of Friday, September 8th. in the Boston Arena, Massachusetts Avenue and St. Botolph Streets. It is expected that more than 10,000 persons will hear the address of Father Coughlin, which also will come to Bostonians via telephone and a public address system.

Circulation of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine in the New England area is showing a gradual increase, and it is hoped that the mass meeting in Boston will result in a boost of at least 10,000 copies weekly for the Bay City area alone.

Arrangements in Boston are being made by Mr. Frank Moran, Room 204, Copley Square Hotel. Tickets are being distributed by SOCIAL JUSTICE salesmen, most of whom in Boston are under the direction of Mr. Joseph A. MacDonald, 179 Chestnut Street, Jamaica Plain.

Anti-Fascists ON GUARD!

WORKERS OF NEW YORK!

Protest against Fascist provocation--

Rally at Union Square: Sat. Aug. 19,-4:30 P.M.

The Coughlin gangsters, followers of America's Number One Fascist, will march from Columbus Circle on Union Square, Saturday evening, August 19.

After weeks of anti-Semitic propaganda, "Buy Christian" campaigns and anti-labor attacks, these Fascist mobsters on August 19 will try to carry out their threat to invade Union Square, the heart of New York's working class district.

This Fascist parade is no "manifestation of Christianity." It is a mobilization of strikebreakers, thugs, Jew-haters and union busters.

Let the Fascists see the anger and the might of the working class! Come out and protest!

When the Fascists met in Madison Square Garden on February 20, the anti-Fascists of New York threw a mass picket line of 50,000 around the area.

On February 20 the Fascists got more than they bargained for. They will not, they must not, go unanswered on August 19!

Don't wait for the concentration camps—act now!

Protect your unions! Protect your liberty!

ALL OUT TO UNION SQUARE!

Issued by the
SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (Fourth International)
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIALIST LEAGUE
116 University Place New York City

Count, if you can, the Communist lies in this handbill which Young Communists distributed in New York City. Note the attempt to "smear" the Rev. Father Coughlin and the Christian Front with the activities of a group of so-called "Christian Mobilizers," which Father Coughlin, the Christian Front, and SOCIAL JUSTICE had carefully disavowed. The Young Communists printed and distributed this lying circular *after the disavowals had been published.* How long are intelligent Americans going to be taken in by these Communist lies?

Sure, 'n They Can't Say That About Fr. Coughlin to Her!

THE NEWS:

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—We see by the newspapers that one "Florence Nash, 42" was given a 30-day suspended jail sentence by Magistrate Michael Ford, on a charge of disorderly conduct while selling "Father Coughlin's SOCIAL JUSTICE." The newspaper headline read:

"Coughlin's Aide Court Target!"

Judge Ford, who says he is a Catholic, was quoted as saying:

"You remind me of a witch-burner of the Middle Ages. [Hardly a 'Catholic' remark.] You don't belong to the modern world. There is no place in this free country for a person who entertains the narrow, bigoted, intolerant ideas that you have and *he who puts such ideas into your mind and utilizes them, be he priest or anyone else, does not belong here!*"

COMMENT:

When the Circulation Department of SOCIAL JUSTICE was unable to find any New York salesperson named "Florence Nash" our distributors at first suspected the work of another *agent provocateur.*

However, it was the estimable lady herself who called to report her own identity. Our records were correct; she was not a seller of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

She says she was passing along a New York street when she saw a gang of "undesirable citizens" abusing a SOCIAL JUSTICE salesman. Challenged by this disgraceful scene, she bought 5 papers from the harrassed man, put them across her arm, swung alongside and called in a musical and hearty Irish brogue:

"SOCIAL JUSTICE!"

A ruffian in the crowd turned his abuse to her:

"What do you want to get into this for, lady? *Don't you know that Father Coughlin has three illegitimate children living right here in New York!*"

"Why, you dir-r-ty ———!" said the lady and swung with a hearty Old Country wallop.

At this moment a policeman intervened to arrest her and, as they say in New York, "threw her in the klink."

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"I think you are one of the most contemptible individuals ever brought into my court," said Magistrate Michael A. Ford, apparently without having given her any opportunity to tell her story. According to the *New York Times (which prints all the news it sees fit),* Judge Ford did the talking.

"I am ashamed of you. I take it you belong to the Roman Catholic Church. I'm a Roman Catholic myself. I'm ashamed of you because of the ideas you have expressed."

Then the magistrate asked Miss Nash:

"Where did your parents come from?"

"From Ireland," she replied.

"They undoubtedly came to this country, as my parents did, to escape the persecution of the English government. The *persecution you have perpetrated* could be perpetrated against your own race."

What, "persecution," Judge Ford?

After the incident had given "the Judge" opportunity to make remarks that as "Citizen Mike Ford" he could never get away with, he imposed a suspended sentence of 30 days in jail!

Thus, the *New York Times* muffed a good human interest story. Judge Ford missed the whole point of "persecution" of SOCIAL JUSTICE salespeople in New York City.

And your correspondent missed his lunch, trying to coin a good quip for the "World's Fare" column — something about the Goddess of Justice being not so much blind as cockeyed!

WARNING

No sooner had Fr. Coughlin approved the fine principles of Christian citizenship espoused by young men of the Christian Front, than the enemies of Christianity in New York City set about on a campaign of confusion to divide Christians.

Pseudo-Christian groups of one sort or another will be organized, and the Reds will attempt to "buy" or "plant" subversive leaders in the Christian Front itself.

New Yorkers, long familiar with Communist tactics, are alertly on guard.

Eternal vigilance must be the price of liberty!

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Responsible Unionism

By LEWIS SEWARD

Staff Correspondent of SOCIAL JUSTICE

DETROIT, MICHIGAN — Organizers for the American Federation of Labor are working among Michigan's thousands of automobile workers preaching to them the gospel of honest, clean trade unionism and reaching toward the objective of the living, annual wage.

Federation officials, entering the Auto City from points along the Atlantic seaboard and the Middle West, announced that it was their intention to engage once and for all in a "finish fight" with Communism and mob rule in the auto industry. The full resources of the A.F.L. are behind the organization drive. Organizers will not leave the Michigan field until the automobile workers have had a fair chance to make their choice between the A.F.L.'s traditional responsibility, and the C.I.O.'s reputation for lawlessness.

Behind the organizational campaign is Francis P. Fenton, A.F.L. director of organization. He is assisted in his executive work by George Googe, A.F.L. staff organizer, and William Whetro, member of the Ohio State legislature and Mid-West organizational worker for the union. Joseph Cummings, director of organization in the Detroit region, is cooperating with regional and national officials, and with Homer Martin, international president of the U.A.W.

Fight to Finish With Communism

"We are going to conduct *a clean, honest fight for real trade unionism in the auto movement,*" said one of the organizers. "We know the odds. We know who we are fighting. We recognize this as a battle between Communism with its mob rule and tyranny on one side, and honest trade unionism on the other.

"We are going to press for an annual wage for the auto workers. We have the resources of the A.F.L. behind us, and we are not going to quit. But we insist on conducting an upright, democratic campaign to convince the auto workers of the desirability of joining with us. Our intention is to win the bargaining elections by honest means. If we do, we shall bring trade unionism to the auto workers for the first time. If we can't win the auto elections by honest means, then — and not until then— shall we withdraw from the battle."

"Results of the collective bargaining election last week at the Packard Motor Company indicate the seriousness of the battle we have undertaken," Mr. Whetro said, "and assure us that we shall have to reorganize the U.A.W. completely; recharter all locals, and build from the bottom to the top."

The desire of the A.F.L. in its campaign in motors is to set up a model union. A.F.L. leaders, studying the sorry history of unionism in automobile plants under C.I.O. rule for the past three years, have seen the sad record of interminable wildcat strikes, puny wage raises, Communist domination of locals, and general demoralization.

Complete Reorganization Is Called For

To correct these conditions, the A.F.L. executive board has mapped a broad program aiming toward complete reorganization; standardization of wages, hours and working conditions; establishment of a living, annual wage to correct the seasonal layoff factor, and complete protection for the workers in matters of bargaining, grievances, and contractual relations with management.

Federation authorities point out that the U.A.W. is to have *full and complete autonomy*. To that end, the program calls for intensive organization under the direction of Federation officials, who then will withdraw from the field, leaving the international officers in full authority. This is a great departure from the practice in the C.I.O. where autonomy is absent. This situation was demonstrated glaringly in the United Automobile Workers Union before the crack-up that split the International into two competing factions. At that time John L. Lewis stepped in, dictated "peace" terms, and then appointed his own officers to carry out these terms.

"We have every confidence in the leadership of the U.A.W.," said Mr. Fenton. "We know the men in the ranks share our confidence. The C.I.O. is bankrupt: It is bankrupt of funds, it is bankrupt of common sense, and it is bankrupt of leadership."

Co-operation with A.F.L. leaders was reflected in a statement issuing from Homer Martin, U.A.W. president, who asserted that "We will refrain from dramatics (in the organizational campaign). *We will absolutely abjure violence. We are not organizing a revolution.* We are organizing a trade union."

Behind THE NEWS

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by "Yours Truly"

Henry Morgenthau, Jr.
Somewhere in Europe
c/o Bank of England

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Since it is difficult to know whether you are in London, Paris, Geneva, or Copenhagen, we take the liberty of sending this letter to the Bank of England knowing that "the Old Lady of Threadneedle St." will be informed of your present whereabouts. We realize that the Bank of England is greatly interested in your work and will be duly informed on the progress of your mission.

Isn't it true, Mr. Morgenthau, that the administration dispatched you to the European capitals in an attempt to arrange for the Allies to make a token payment on their defaulted war and post-war debts?

We noticed that, simultaneously with your arrival in Europe, the question of token payments was resurrected from the limbo of forgotten affairs. And forthwith the press of America let loose a flood of publicity for token payments of the debts and their practical cancellation in the interest of world peace and democracy.

At the same time the satellite statesmen and paid politicians of Great Britain and France began to discuss ways and means of making token payments on the war debts with a view to floating further loans.

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Mr. Morgenthau, at the present time we know that representatives of America's merchants of murder have approached officials of the Polish government with a proposal that Poland make a token payment on its debts. One international banking house, which was outstanding in the past for financing warring nations, has gone on record as being willing to furnish Poland with unlimited credit for the purchase of arms, planes and contraband from America; providing that Poland will make the token payment. When the Chief Executive was approached on the matter he referred it to the Department of State.

What is true of Poland is also true —isn't it—of Britain and France?

Indeed, America's international bankers are again willing to advance cash and credit to the Allies for the purchase of war materials.

We recognize, Mr. Morgenthau, that you are *persona grata* in international, financial and political circles. No doubt, the bankers, militarists and statesmen of Britain and France remember your kindness in the past. You arranged for the sale of America's secret airplanes to them; and by subsidies from Stabilization Fund, you pegged the pound sterling and franc with America's gold. You are credited with buying gold and silver at inflationary prices and of aiding the Communist friends of the democracies such as China, Mexico and Russia. We remember, too, that in the past you were credited with refusing to arrange a suitable method whereby the Allies might pay their debts to America, even though the representatives of these nations proposed a plan. Furthermore, we remember the events which followed your visit to Paris a few years ago.

We cannot but think that your visit to European capitals will result in a closer military, financial and commercial alliance with Russia, Britain and France—an alliance which will bind the destiny of America to the European democracies in war and in peace. The administration has salvaged its monetary program by committing to appointive officers the powers belonging to the legislators. Again the administration shows its determination to pursue its program in opposition to the express will of the people.

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In the administration's present program of soliciting token payments on the defaulted war debts, are you contravening the will of the people expressed in the Johnson Act which forbids loans to defaulters and in the defeat of the administration's "cash and carry" neutrality? If upon your advice and the assurance of your acceptance will the defaulting nations of Europe make token payments on their debts; will America sell war materials cash and carry to the belligerents and loan money to the defaulters to enable them to preserve the semblance of cash and carry?

Where will this program end, Mr. Morgenthau, Of course in war. Will you and the Administration which you represent be responsible for that war?

If, while you are collecting installments on the war debt—the first and last installments by the way—and arranging for new loans, subsidies and sales to our allies, will you remind Soviet Russia that she owes money to America and agreed to pay those debts in the Litvinov-Roosevelt Agreement and that to date she has not paid on kopeck on those debts?

Yours truly

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FATHER COUGHLIN INVADES CINCINNATI

Mass Meeting of Christian-Americans — Music Hall, Friday, August 25

Cincinnati and district Social Justice groups will assemble on the evening of Friday, August 25, in one of the most significant mass gatherings ever held in that city.

The place is the Music Hall, Elm and 14th Streets, and doors will open at 7:00 o'clock.

At the invitation of Cincinnati citizens, Father Coughlin will address the meeting by telephone and public address system for 40 minutes.

Admission by ticket only. Tickets are available from distributors of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine or from Mr. Fred A. Geier, 2535 Dennis Street. Write Mr. Geier or telephone him at Avon 2834 or Parkway 2030.

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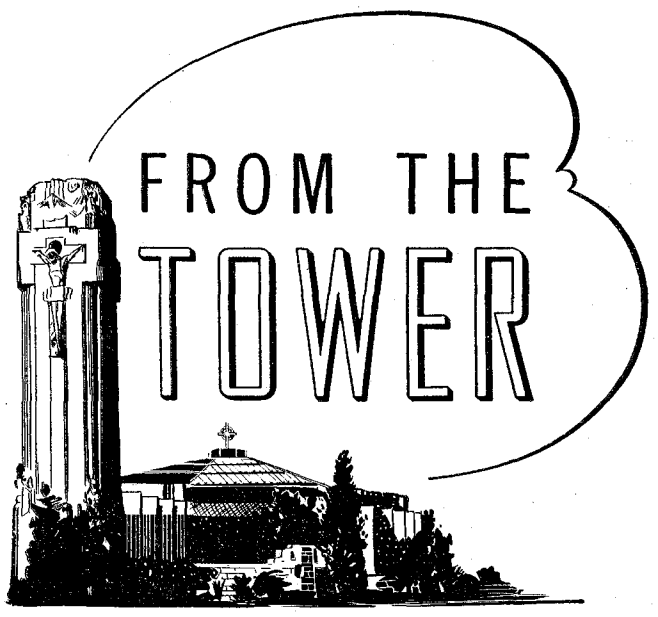

THE STORY BEHIND THE POPULAR FRONT

DURING THE Dies Committee's investigation of un-American activities, Dr. J. B. Mathews, formerly associated with many of the radical and subversive movements in the United States, presented under oath testimony which, substantiated by documents, lays bare the Popular Front of Bolshevism in this country.

Lenin, the high priest of Bolshevism, once maintained that his principles would succeed not through the direct agency of the Communist Party but rather through other organizations dominated by Bolsheviks. That is precisely what is taking place in America at the moment.

Organizations dominated by Communists and constituting the Popular Front were listed by Dr. Matthews as follows:

Free Tom Mooney Congress; National Tom Mooney Council of Action; National Scotsboro Committee of Action; National Committee to Aid the Victims of German Fascism; International Labor Defense; American Committee for Struggle Against War; American League Against War and Fascism, which is now the League for Peace and Democracy; Anti-Imperialist League; Friends of the Soviet Union; American Friends of the Chinese Union; Book Union; National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners; Labor Sports Union; "Icor"; League of Women Shoppers; Federated Press.

With all these organizations, Dr. Matthews was associated and speaks as an insider to us, the outsiders. Says the witness:

"Nothing is more essential to a thorough understanding of Communist methods and purposes than a detailed knowledge of the 'united front'. The American Youth Congress is an excellent example of the methods and purposes of the Communist Party's 'united front.'

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"According to the official version of its history, the idea and plan for the American Youth Congress were conceived four years ago by one Viola Ilma, who was alleged to have brought back Fascist sympathies from a trip to Europe. In one of its pamphlets entitled, *'Youngville, U.S.A.,'* the American Youth Congress has the following to say about Miss Ilma:

" 'She invited representatives from national youth organizations, reaching all the way from the Boy Scouts to the Young Communist League. Her arrangements were remarkably efficient and all-inclusive. And that was her mistake!'

"The fact is that because Miss Ilma was so all-inclusive in her invitations, the Young Communist League, in concert with left-wing Socialists, captured her organization in its infancy and threw her out. This is made clear in Wolf Michael's *Report to the Sixth World Congress of the Young Communist International.* Writing of this capture, Wolf Michael says:

" 'Thanks to the joint participation and work of the young American comrades with the Socialists and other non-Fascist youth at the Youth Congress . . . our Young Communist League of the United States helped to bring about a unity of several non-Fascist organizations with a membership of over a million.'

"Addressing himself to the Young Communist International gathered in Moscow, Wolf Michael said further: 'This is an example of how to influence the masses of youth.'

"Among the organizations which have been persuaded to endorse the Youth Congress and to participate in its Communist-guided work, we find numerous groups of Christian young people, such as the National Council of Methodist Youth and the Christian Youth Conference of North America. Among the individuals sponsoring the Youth Congress, as members of its so-called National Advisory Committee, we find, in addition to the usual left-wingers who appear frequently on 'united front' committees, the names of Ralph S. Cushman, bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Harold G. Hoffman, governor of New Jersey, and Henry Noble MacCracken, president of Vassar College. Ostensibly, these organizations and individuals are associated with a youth organization which is dedicated to peace as one of its major goals. Actually, they are being made the innocent dupes of a carefully contrived Communist maneuver. By 'peace,' as the Communists understand it and work for it, is meant a breathing spell during which the world revolution of the proletariat may be prepared.

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"The American League Against War and Fascism . . . is the most ambitious and influential of all the Communist 'united fronts' launched in this country. The name of the organization, I hardly need remind this committee, was changed last winter to 'the American League for Peace and Democracy.' For brevity's sake I shall hereafter speak of this 'united front' of the Communist Party simply as the American League.

"The American League now claims 4-million adherents in this country. The extent of its influence is, perhaps, better measured by the fact that it has recently obtained the endorsement for its parade on August 6th this year of the Solicitor General of the United States than by its claim of 4-million adherents.

"In September, 1933, a dingy old hall known as St. Nicholas arena, in New York City, housed the United States Congress Against War. I presided over that gathering. This Congress Against War was planned by an arrangements committee of which I was the chairman. The sessions of this arrangements committee were held twice a week during the summer of 1933. The United States Congress Against War set up the American League and selected me as its first national chairman.

"The nations of the world were bristling with armaments. The threat of a new world war was increasing every year. Japan had seized Manchuria. Hitler had come to power in Germany, and Mussolini was rattling the saber with increased vigor. Our new organization, the American League, was set up for the purpose—or so it appeared on the surface—of enlisting millions of Americans to stop the drift to war and Fascism. Our ostensible aim was to mobilize the peace sentiments of Americans into a powerful single force of public opinion. This, at least, was our story for publication.

"We set out to obtain the support of peace organizations, churches, trade and labor unions, and fraternal bodies. Every group, in fact, in which we could find any sentiment against war and Fascism was the object of our solicitation. . . .

"We interviewed clergymen, college professors, professional leaders and labor unionists, asking them to speak for us or to lend us their names as members of local committees.

"All of these things were on the surface.

"But now for the inside facts about the American League.

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"The decision to set up the American League was actually made in Moscow. It all started with the triumph of Hitler in Germany. Hitler's rule spelled the disastrous defeat of the Communist movement in Germany. It also marked the complete failure of the foreign policy of the Communist International in other countries of the world. The substance of that Soviet policy was the baiting of Social Democrats, Socialists, Liberals and the so-called reformists among the trade unionists. Moscow declared that these, rather than the Fascists, were the chief enemies of Communism. They were dubbed 'social Fascists' and were everywhere attacked and slandered.

"The result of that policy had left the Communists a weak and isolated sect. In Germany, the Communist Party faced annihilation. In France, the United States and Great Britain it had no substantial influence. Moscow foresaw a military showdown with Hitler. It was to be a death struggle between the Fascist dictator and the Communist dictator. Stalin began to feel the need for powerful allies in that coming conflict. How should he get these allies among the unfriendly capitalist powers? He summoned the Communist leaders of the world to Moscow. They deliberated, and out of their deliberations came the decision to set up the Popular Front in France.

"But France was farther developed along the road to the final class struggle than was the United States. Sooner or later, the Communists must set up a Popular Front in the United States, but first they decided to set up the American League for Peace and Democracy. It was to be a prelude to an American Popular Front! Earl Browder brought back the word from Moscow. And I was chosen by Browder and his colleagues in the Communist Party to head the new organization.

"I was what the Communists call a 'fellow traveler'—one who closely sympathizes with most of the aims of the party but who is, neverthless, just a 'middle-class intellectual.'

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"The actual management of the affairs of the American League was turned over to Donald Henderson. Henderson had publicly declared his membership in the Communist Party a year or two before when he resigned from the Socialist Party and while he was still an instructor in economics at Columbia University. Henderson was later assigned by the Communist Party to agitational work among farmers. He is now head of the C.I.O. union for farmers. He has lately been active among the pecan workers of Texas. He is head of the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers of America which is affiliated with the C.I.O.

"The Communist International selected Henri Barbusse as its international midwife at the birth of the American League. The *Daily Worker*, Communist Party newspaper, stated recently that Barbusse was the founder of the American League. Barbusse died in the Kremlin in Moscow shortly after his tour of the United States on behalf of the newly formed American League. The constitution of the Communist International states explicitly that leading 'comrades' may go from country to country only with the consent of the executive committee of the Communist International.

"In December, 1933, Earl Browder, general secretary of the American Communist Party, went to Moscow to report the results of the decision to set up the American League. 'We led,' said Browder in his report, 'a highly successful United States Congress Against War. . . . The Congress from the beginning was led by our party quite openly.'

"These facts should dispose, once and for all, of the question of whether or not the American League was launched by the Communist Party....

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"It was easy to get party members and fellow travelers in order to start the American League. They were to be had for the asking. It required long and patient work to get the stooges. The first half dozen such decoys were the hardest to get. After that the decoys decoyed each other! . . . In most cases, A. F. of L. trade unions were more difficult to enroll in the united front.

"When I complained repeatedly to Donald Henderson that we were making such slight progress in enrolling A. F. of L. unions, he reminded me that my work was to enroll members of middle-class organizations and that the Communist Party would take care of the trade unions. He assured me that the Communists already had several strategic men in important plants and industries where they would be in a position to sabotage vital processes in the event of war—just in case the United States should become involved in a war against the Soviet Union. Henderson was especially boastful of a revolutionary nucleus in submarine plants in Connecticut and of the *work of Harry Bridges in the shipping industry on the West Coast!*

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"I was succeeded in the national chairmanship by Professor Harry F. Ward of Union Theological Seminary, who is still head of the League. Prof. Ward is also national chairman of the American Civil Liberties Union and the head of the Methodist Federation for Social Service."

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Broadened base of taxation on basis of ownership and capacity to pay.

Simplification of Government and lower taxes. Conscription of wealth as well as men in event of war.

Sanctity of human rights preferred to sanctity of property with Government's chief concern for the poor.

Organizations under various names from time to time project public demonstrations under the name and pretended sponsorship of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. The public must be apprized of the fact that SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine is published by a Michigan corporation, and that as such it has never, at any time, authorized any persons or organizations to conduct demonstrations in any cause whatsoever. The management of the magazine disclaims and disavows any and all responsibility for any act or demonstration on the part of individuals or organizations posing as being under the direction of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

'The Catholic Committee'

An editorial from
The Ave Maria

A "COMMITTEE of Catholics to Fight Anti-Semitism" has recently been formed in this country, and speaks through a publication called *The Voice*.

When the Reds in Spain were endeavoring to destroy every vestige of Christianity with fire and sword the "Catholic Committee" started no paper to defend the Christian cause. When Russia was starving to death 5-million peasants, closing churches, and spreading anti-God propaganda far and wide, no periodical was started by the "Catholic Committee." When the Mexican rulers were doing all in their power to blot out Christianity, the "Catholic Committee" produced no weapon to combat the anti-Christians.

But now when the influential Jews, nearly all of whom were supporters of the anti-Christian forces in Spain, are being pointed out as enemies of Christianity and democracy because of their communistic tendencies, the "Catholic Committee" arises to defend them from their persecutors.

The Jews do not need the help of any "Catholic Committee." They control, in large measure, all the avenues of communication—newspapers, radio, theaters. It was because of such control that it was impossible to get the truth of the Spanish situation during the war. The newspapers and radio were solidly with the "Loyalists." But now that the fact is being brought home to our people by the Catholic press—Behold, the "Catholic Committee" arises!

When men who were thought to be good Catholics are proved to be grafters and criminals, Catholics naturally feel ashamed. The deeds of these supposed practical Catholics bring them humiliation. But they are glad to see them brought to justice because they have been misrepresenting the Church. The last thing they would think of doing would be to malign those who have prosecuted them.

But when atheistic Jews are pointed out to be working with the Communists for the overthrow of our Government, the Jews instead of denouncing them and feeling humiliated by their conduct, set up a cry of anti-Semitism.

It is an admission that these men represent Judaism, otherwise how could their prosecutors be anti-Semites? No practical Catholic can be an anti-Semite. Hatred for any of his fellowmen would bar him from the Sacraments. But it is the duty of every Christian to defend his religion against Communists and atheists, and the Catholic Committee that tries to prevent such defense is working against the Church and Christ.

Judge Ford and Miss Nash

ELSEWHERE in SOCIAL JUSTICE you may read the homily delivered by Judge Ford of New York City to Miss Nash, a volunteer saleslady for SOCIAL JUSTICE.

While Miss Nash does not work for Social Justice Publishing Corporation, nevertheless the extravagances the Tammany Judge uttered in hearing and commenting upon her case long will be remembered by the voters of New York City!

Judge Ford is of Irish stock. And there were Irish betrayers of Irish people in the days of Cromwell.

Judge Ford had a word to say of a priest—and the priest, as most persons understood, is Father Coughlin. According to the Judge, a priest who teaches anti-racialism and incites his followers to riot should be driven from the shores of America.

With that proposition no one disagrees.

But insofar as the Judge's words, like the words of a death-dealing informer, were tied to an arrow aimed precisely at the heart of Father Coughlin, the citizens of New York should make it their business to discover the bow whence the arrow was shot. His words carried with them a threat which cannot be brushed aside lightly — the same type of threat which constantly hides within the handle of the gavels wielded by judges in dictatorial countries.

Oh yes, in Russia, judges hold their appointed seats simply because they are Charlie McCarthys for Josef Stalin.

In Germany, judges pronounce law, make decision and give voice to the precepts of Naziism to win a smile from their Fuehrer.

Has the time come in America for judges to be the Little Sir Echoes of subversive forces? Specifically, we refer to judges who have been notorious in having kept silence when the Christians in Spain were murdered by the fellow travelers of certain New Yorkers who plied money, men and propaganda across the Atlantic for the destruction of the cross of Christ.

Judge Ford claimed that his parents came from Ireland, the cradle of priests. God rest their souls in peace! Yes, may God deafen their ears to the pronouncements of innuendo made by their political-minded son!

Along the Christian Front

FROM THE COLUMNS of the *Brooklyn Tablet* each week, one may gauge the tide of battle against Christianity in the nation's Babylon. For it is patent that Christians, and not Jews, are on the defensive in New York City.

For example, on street corners of Brooklyn, Communists and anti-Christian speakers may harangue crowds at will, unmolested by police and unassailed by any attack from Christians. But a recent attempt by responsible Christians to hold an outdoor meeting caused rioting with which police were not able to cope. Their few numbers protected the speakers but not the innocent audience, which was showered with garbage and household refuse from the windows of nearby apartments, insulted with vile names, while radio loudspeakers and auto horns, turned on in full blast, attempted to drown out the speakers' words. Each mention of "Christ" or of "Christianity" was a signal for more malevolent outbursts.

After the Christian meeting had been called off to protect the audience, Christian groups attempted to distribute circulars and were mobbed by anti-Christian hoodlums. Meantime, members of the Young Communist League sent resolutions to Mayor LaGuardia to protest "Fascism on King's Highway." On every hand their topic of conversation was how to sabotage the Christian front.

New Yorkers are familiar by this time with the Communists' tactic which stigmatizes any anti-Communist as a "Nazi" and any pro-Christian as a "Coughlinite" or a Jew hater. The anti-Christians, growing constantly bolder under Communist agitation and police protection, still do not dare openly to assail "Christ" and "Christians;" but all their pent-up venom is reserved for the single epithet — "Coughlinite!"

Thus, the so-called "Coughlinites" become a sort of first line shock troops in the Communists' assault upon Christianity in America. While this is some sort of compliment to Father Coughlin, it seems to us that in a Christian nation of this size, there ought to be scores of names equally obnoxious to the Reds.

Faked Letters

WORD HAS just come to SOCIAL JUSTICE that a New York gentleman, incidentally a Jewish gentleman, is collecting "faked letters" which, he says, have appeared in SOCIAL JUSTICE. What's more, he "planted" them.

This man is telling intimates that he has induced many of his friends to write letters to the editor, and lo and behold, some of them have appeared in SOCIAL JUSTICE. When he has clipped enough of them, he says, he will give them to Birkhead or Cole and have these front men "expose" SOCIAL JUSTICE

So what? Obviously, the hope is to discredit the effect of letters from you readers appearing in this National Weekly. But what does this sort of trickery prove? Simply that SOCIAL JUSTICE prints in good faith letters that its readers send in, accepting them at their face value.

A standing notice on the *Letters page* states that the department is a free forum and that the opinions there expressed are those of the writers and not necessarily this magazine.

Granted that this man and his Jewish friends have written letters which we have printed. What does that make SOCIAL JUSTICE? And what does it make this Jewish gentleman?

World's Fare

PERSONAL assistants of Mayor LaGuardia have been assigned to attend meetings of the Christian Front and make secret reports directly to the mayor. We hope they will be able to find out why a program of positive Christianity is labeled "Fascist" or "anti-Semitic."

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Disturbers at one of the Rutherford anti-Catholic meetings were routed by cane-swinging ushers shouting "Jew hater!" Just what makes a Rutherford critic a "Jew hater"?

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Germany has concluded a trade pact with Soviet Russia. Maybe Comrade Stalin and Herr Hitler aren't as "mad at each other" as Britain has been trying to make them.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE can hardly resist adding: *"We told you so!"*

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Who would accuse a doctor of loving leprosy because he was trying to cure a patient of cancer? Yet Reds accuse Christians of loving "Nazis" simply because both hate Communism.

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Harlan Miller, tea-gossiper turned Washington Winchell, recently scrambled a swell metaphor: He asks: "Why send a substitute into the ring with two strikes and a broken bat?" It seems to us you might as well send a pitcher into the box, in the tenth round, with three touchdowns against the home team.

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We've just read an honest headline. It says:

"Roosevelt Farther North Than Ever."

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"England has more than 381 men engaged in disseminating propaganda in favor of war," observes Patrick F. Scanlon, editor of the *Brooklyn Tablet*. Now somebody get us a list of advocates for peace.

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And don't spring that old one about the American League for Peace and Democracy!

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A new book by H. G. Wells wonders how America can recover after Mr. Roosevelt. Frankly, we've also wondered about that ourselves.

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Which reminds us of an eminent scholastic's characterization of Mr. Wells as a *"man who has written more history than he's ever read."*

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Prof. Harold Brown of Stanford University, a defense witness for Harry Bridges, testified that "Communists do not advocate the overthrow of Government; *they simply predict it, and hope to assist in the process.*" The professor denies that this could be considered violence.

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Too many college professors are "experts on Communism" by reason of their membership in the Communist Party under false names.

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Promise of an all-Negro State in this country when Communists win the revolution is being used to decoy unsuspecting Negroes into Communist ranks. Are the mysterious financial gifts to Father Divine part of the Communist "come-on"?

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"Anonymous attacks on Father Charles E. Coughlin of Royal Oak, Mich., serve to emphasize the correctness of his statements," observes the *Newton* (Iowa) *News*. "If they were untrue, there would be ample recourse to the courts to correct him," the editor concludes.

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An astronomer says that the earth, viewed from Mars, would look blue. Quips the Washington Post *quipper: "The earth, viewed from the earth, looks the same way, if you ask me."*

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Maybe there is something in numbers after all. The Spirit of '76 effected our independence as a Nation; the 76th Congress declared its independence of the executive.

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FATHER COUGHLIN'S DAY

Being an Attempt, Not Too Successful, to Keep Up With a Busy National Figure in a Typical Day's Routine

By One of the Staff

THIS ARTICLE starts with a confession. With the permission of the editor, but not with the approval of the Editorial Counsel (and that's the confession), I am hereby succumbing to a temptation which has been plaguing me for months.

Before I came to work on the SOCIAL JUSTICE staff, I presume I was like most persons who are interested in the activities of Father Coughlin. To me he was more or less of a mystery man, and his days—well, they were just something that I could not conceive. I had been informed that his mail bag is the largest and heaviest for any private citizen of the United States. I knew that he was surrounded by several secretaries and a clerical force that ranged from 60 to 130 capable experts.

It was obvious that the Radio Priest was on the receiving end of much assistance in the matter of research, and it didn't take much pressure to guess that he was not only endowed with some little business acumen but was necessitated by circumstances to keep in touch with the inner and outer workings of a manifold business in which publishing, printing, broadcasting, building management were all added to the duties of a pastor, writer and public speaker.

Having spent several months in more or less close contact with Father Coughlin, I found myself discussing him with one of the older heads who had, more or less, grown up with the Boss during the past 13 years of his public life spent at Woodward and Twelve Mile Road. And the outcome of our discussion was a dare for me to put down approximately 1,000 words and place them on the Editor's desk for approval or rejection.

Much to our surprise, a recent poll of reader opinion puts Pal's column far and away ahead of any other feature in SOCIAL JUSTICE National Weekly. Now an editor is supposed to know why people react like that, and our guess was that it must be due to the chatty bits of intimate gossip about folks at the Shrine and the magazine office, and especially about Father Coughlin. So, when a newcomer on the staff suggested the adventure, we assigned him to report a typical day in the Chief's office. We said that if he got caught at it, we'd deny the assignment. Here's his report.

—EDITOR

Mounds of Mail Start Each Day

So here goes. To be concrete, I will confine myself to what happened to Father Coughlin between the hours of 8 A.M. and 8 P.M., Monday, August 21st.

Promptly at 8 the Boss came to his desk and looked at the several neat piles which one of his secretaries had just laid out. One pile consisted of urgent letters from clergymen, Congressmen, economists and co-workers. The second pile was composed of magazines and newspaper clippings which his secretary thought he should glance at immediately. The third little mountain was comprised of manuscripts, news articles and literary contributions waiting for his acceptance or rejection. And the last pile had to do with radio contracts, American Telephone and Telegraph maps, insurance papers, bills payable and receivable, together with reports from the heads of all the various departments.

Without any preliminaries the work was attacked. Long distance calls to radio managers here and there were immediately made to settle such business that could not wait even 12 hours. Between calls, insurance papers were examined, bills were inspected and all the financial business in which he was interested was dispatched.

Magazine Deadline Is Strenuous Hour

Because Monday noon is the deadline for the very last material which is to find its way into SOCIAL JUSTICE, Father Coughlin turned to that busy task and to accepting or rejecting articles for the following edition then getting under way.

Many of these he need not read in full, because a critical word from one of his secretaries was sufficient. Occasionally, he paused to dictate a letter to some contributor suggesting that he reconstruct the article submitted.

Interruptions were frequent, of course, when his secretary thought that he should answer personally, certain important phone calls. For example, the advertising agent through whom radio contracts are signed had an important message for Father Coughlin; Dr. Curran, of New York, wished to speak with him on an urgent matter; Father Cassian had a problem related to the school that must be settled immediately; Father Keating, in conference with railroad men relative to a pilgrimage, was in need of a quick decision; Mr. Reardon, negotiating a contract with a state distributor, wanted just a word.

But no one gets by the secretary, unless, in her judgment, the call is important and imperative. There is no time for visiting and no time to waste—on Monday morning.

Meanwhile, the mail man trucks in new bags of mail. Father is interested. In fact, he is curious. For a moment he saunters into the main office, thence to the mail room, trying to hide his curiosity and being about as successful as a little boy before a Christmas tree.

Then, back to his desk he came, accompanied by Pal, of course. He scanned through the departmental reports of the week previous, then he began to make a comparison by asking questions from the circulation department, from the mail department and from the general accounting department.

While the answers to these questions were being prepared he literally waded through the clippings from magazines and newspapers. A few he replaced on his desk, but the majority were cast into the wastepaper basket.

Noonday Mass Is Summer Custom

It was getting close to 10 o'clock—and not one important letter answered. At this moment two secretaries began to take dictation. Some letters are dictated in full; other letters are simply handed over with a "yes" or a "no" because he has im-

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Let's Make This October 25th a Real Birthday

Thousands of Social Functions to Mark Natal Day of Father Coughlin

Wednesday, October 25th, brings around another anniversary of the birth of the Priest of Royal Oak.

It is the custom of Social Justice groups in all states of the Union to hold social functions on October 25th for the purpose of aiding finances at Royal Oak.

The management of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine will foster all of these events this year. As a tribute to Father Coughlin during this crucial period the editorial and business departments of our weekly will direct the thousands of dances, parties and meetings to be held throughout the country.

Of course, it is impossible for us at Royal Oak to manage these affairs. No attempt will be made to do this. Each function is under the supervision of the group fostering it in each locality.

Editors and business managers of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine, having full knowledge of the financial needs of Father Coughlin's Broadcasting Fund, assume responsibility for impressing these needs on the millions of those Americans who believe in the Radio Priest and who are following him to what we hope will be a better America.

Never before have funds for expansion been so badly needed at Royal Oak. Weekly broadcasts under 52-week contracts with 49 radio stations have kept the treasury in a constant state of being nearly empty.

We are now going into the Fall—and soon the fateful year of 1940 will come round the bend of time's river. That year will mark the beginning of revived Americanism or the advent of chaotic ruin.

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Therefore, let us make this October 25th a day of new hope to Father Coughlin. Let every Social Justice group in the land hold a social function that will aid the Broadcasting Fund. Let groups in large cities get together for unified action. Let each individual reader of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine assume the personal responsibility of contributing time, effort and such money as can be afforded.

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Free City of Danzig Versailles Creation

League of Nations Ghost Complicates Chances for Prompt German-Polish Settlement

THE NEWS:

FREE CITY OF DANZIG—A thirty-day truce is being advocated by the Foreign Ministers of Italy and Germany in which time they will meet with representatives of Great Britain and France to discuss settlement of the Danzig crisis.

THE BACKGROUND:

The Danzig tinder-box is still sputtering, but at least there are evidences that men of good will, who know that their people do not want war, are seeking to remove the knotty problems that feed the flame.

Although Danzig is 96 per cent German in population, the city commands Poland's economic outlet to the Baltic at the mouth of the Vistula river. More than 167 years ago, Prussia's Frederick the Great said: "He who holds Danzig and the mouth of the Vistula is more of a master of Poland than the King who rules in Warsaw."

For centuries Danzig has been a key city. Back of it lay the rich valley once known as the bread-basket of Europe. Control of the mouth of the Vistula was then, as today, an issue between Slav and Teuton.

In the confusion of rumors and counter-rumors, many persons wonder why Danzig cannot vote itself into the Reich if it is 96 per cent German and a Free City. The facts are not quite so simple as that.

Free City Creation of Versailles Treaty

The crux of the matter is the peculiar legal status of Danzig, which was established in the Treaty of Versailles. Under its status, the Free City, embracing several communities with an area of 754 square miles and about ½-million persons, has a triple form of government:

(1) A constitution regulating internal affairs. Since 1937, the Danzig Nazis have crowded out political opposition, and in November of that year openly modeled Danzig on the Nazi pattern, even going so far as to nullify many provisions of the liberal constitution which recognized the special German position.

(2) A Polish-Danzig convention gives Poland absolute control over Danzig's foreign relations. The Polish Foreign Commissioner is General Maryan Chodacki. The Versailles power was augmented and strengthened by the convention of November 9, 1929.

(3) There is the League of Nations protection for Danzig's independence with a League High Commissioner, who is at present Prof. Carl J. Burckhardt.

Poland controls the foreign affairs of Danzig. Behind Poland stands the ghost-like League of Nations, still legally the ultimate guardian of Danzig's independence. Hitler doesn't give a hoot about the League which was dominated by the internationalists, but on April 6, 1939, Britain gave life to the League's position by a defensive alliance between herself, France and Poland.

Poland Holds Key Backed by Britain

In other words, not Hitler, but Poland holds the balance of power because under the terms of the defensive alliance, Poland has the power to decide when its independence is threatened and when it will fight. In March, 1939, Hitler sought a settlement by asking Poland to return Danzig, to grant Germany an extraterritorial railway and automobile connection between East Prussia and the Reich and to join a 25 year non-aggression pact with him.

Poland refused with the example of Austria, Sudetenland, Czecho-Slovakia and Memel before her eyes. On April 28, Germany formally renounced the existing Polish-German pact of Jan. 26, 1934, charging that Poland had "violated it by joining Britain."

There the situation stands. Danzig cannot legally alter its own status. Poland could do nothing without the League's consent. Even the defunct League could alter Danzig's status only by invoking the processes of Article XIX in the League Covenant, providing for peaceful treaty revision.

Marshal Smigly-Rydz, the commander-in-chief of Poland's army, has stated: "The taking of Danzig by the Germans would be an act which recalls to mind the partition of Poland. Poland will fight, even if she fights alone and without allies. The whole nation to the last man and woman is ready to fight for Poland's independence; and when we say we will go to war over Danzig, we shall be fighting for our economic independence."

Italy Did Not Cede Any Port to the Germans

THE NEWS:

TRIESTE, ITALY—Germany and Italy are reported to have "signed a 10-year lease giving Germany the port of Trieste." A "high diplomatic authority" states that German troops are "pouring into Trieste on their way to Libya to augment the Italian forces now under arms."

THE BACKGROUND:

Of all the fantastic nonsense fed to the American people, this particular rumor was just about the "farthest north."

In the first place, investigators have found no physical evidence of any troop movements whatsover in the Trieste zone. The so-called "infiltration of German troops" was purely imaginary.

The Port of Trieste has not been leased to Germany and in all probability never will be. In fact, it has two excellent shipyards of world renown—San Marco and Monfalcone, which turned out the magnificent liner, *Conte di Savoia*—plus silos, extensive warehouses and valuable shipping equipment for the speedy transfer of cargoes. It seems the entire news rumor was founded on trade-clearance negotiations to facilitate the volume of goods loaded and unloaded at its wharves each year. Certainly, Berlin would never ask for an exclusive lease of this transit center, and certainly Mussolini would not cede to any power one of the best natural ports in Central Europe.

Problem Is Relic of Old Rivalry

The simple facts are that the trade of Trieste is one of the economic problems left over since the formation of the Berlin-Rome axis. The problem dates back to the time when Europe expected Germany to march into Austria in 1934. At that time, Germany and Italy were rivals for trade, as well as military and political influence, in Central Europe.

After Mussolini mobilized troops on the Austrian border and helped prevent annexation, he followed up this move by concluding economic agreements with Austria and Hungary, known as the *Rome Protocol of 1936*, which gave Italy economic preponderance in Central Europe.

By establishing preferential railroad and steamship cargo rates for the exports and imports of Austria, Hungary and Czecho-Slovakia, as well as for Jugoslavia and Southern Poland, and by giving a "free zone" in the harbor of Trieste to Austria, the trade position of this port was greatly enhanced.

Germany Acquires Austrian Rights

However, with the annexation of Austria, Germany gained control over the strategic Austrian railroad network which carries more than half of the trade of Central Europe and the economic fate of Trieste automatically became dependent on German good-will.

The matter was further complicated by large Jewish interests, especially in the marine insurance field, and shipping and banking concerns as well, at Trieste.

Instead of sending her trade to Trieste, Germans boycotted the port, and diverted the Trieste cargoes to the German North Sea ports of Hamburg and Bremen, an additional 250 miles, which resulted in losses to the German government. Furthermore, many Central European products, such as metals, lumber and wood pulp were shipped directly into Germany for the war economy.

All of these factors have combined seriously to reduce the flow of trade to Trieste and shed some light on why Mussolini was forced to go along with Hitler on the Jewish question. Despite the fact that trade agreements between Germany and Italy have been made, for many contributing reasons, the trade problem of Trieste was left unsolved. Curtailment of trade caused a serious unemployment problem and instead of being an economic asset to Italy, Trieste threatened to become an increasingly large economic liability.

A compromise solution, therefore, beneficial to German trade and to the prosperity of Trieste at this time would seem to be the logical interpretation of the present negotiations. A trade agreement, yes, but Germany will not "take over the Italian seaport on the Adriatic."

International Currencies Behind War in China

THE NEWS:

CHUNGKING, CHINA—K. P. Chen, a director of the Chinese trading organization known as the Universal Trading Corporation, has arranged for the sending of transportation experts from the Keeshin Transcontinental Motor Freight Lines, Inc., of Chicago, to reorganize the transportation system in China.

THE BACKGROUND:

Men, money, and munitions are the sinews of war and the country who furnishes them cannot pretend to be "neutral" without making a mockery out of the word.

Only recently the Treasury Department of the United States announced that it had completed arrangements to purchase 6-million ounces of silver from China. Approximately $2½-million is to be handed over to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who will use it to bolster the Chinese currency in its fight with the Japanese yen.

The real reason for the Tientsin blockade, the stripping of British subjects by the Japanese, the barbaric bombings, the diabolical destruction of innocent Chinese and Japanese people, is a pitiless *currency war between the official Chinese dollar, supported by the British pound sterling and the American dollar, and the Japanese yen supported by the spirit of the Japanese people.* Despite this bolstering by British and American financial interests, the Japanese dollar remains steady and international finance has suffered a severe set-back. They are only using both the innocent Japanese and Chinese people in a ruthless slaughter to perpetuate their international game of exploitation and usury even to the ends of the earth.

U. S. Lends Money, Materials and Men

In addition the United States Treasury has given China a $25-million loan through the government-controlled Export-Import Bank for the purchase of trucks from Chrysler, General Motors and International Harvester Companies.

Now the Chinese backers find they have the money, the equipment, but no co-ordinated transportation system to insure the prompt transfer of munitions and first-aid supplies. So the American Government, not only sends the money and trucks, but now dispatches the men who were recommended by the Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau. Mr. Chen asserts that the co-ordinated transportation system is for the transfer of tung oil and other Chinese shipments to the United States to permit the Chinese to repay the loan.

First we lend them the money to buy the trucks, then send the men to fashion an efficient transportation system in order to get the money back on our loan and have the colossal nerve to maintain that we are neutral!

Experts to Restore Transportation

The point is, China's transportation system has been disrupted by the Japanese seizure of important railroads, rivers and seaports from Tientsin to Canton. Blocked from access to the sea through its own ports, China has resorted to slower inland routes to the seaports of Rangoon, Burma and Haiphong, French Indo-China.

In addition to the trucks, a large order for American blankets has been purchased, for use of the Chinese army.

It is only natural that the great majority of the American people sympathize deeply with China which has been subject to a ruthless invasion by international bankers, Communists, Japanese war-lords, and famine. But President Roosevelt, without any mandate from the American people, has carried this sympathy to the point where America has become an indirect ally of China and the international bankers. Instead of putting an embargo on shipments to both Japan and China as laid down in the neutrality act, we have purposely refused to admit that the two nations are at war, so we could step around the American law and furnish China with men, money and munitions.

There is only one word to describe the handling of American foreign affairs in the Far East, and that is suicidal. It is driving us into war and sealing Japan as an ally of Nazi Germany, as well as tending to make friendly Japan our ultimate enemy. And it is playing directly into the hands of Soviet Russia which is counting on war to make a desolate waste of China so the Communists can then step in and Sovietize that vast country.

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A Day With Fr. Coughlin

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plicit reliance on the judgment of these secretaries. And so until 11:30.

Probably ten minutes were expended in glancing over telegrams, and then he proceeds to the sacristy.

Oh, yes, every day during the summer, except Sundays, Father Coughlin says Mass at seven minutes to 12. Hundreds of pilgrims are seated in the church. The Holy Sacrifice is offered and then Father Coughlin presents the relic for veneration to each individual person in the church.

Some time shortly after 12:30 he appears in the refectory for breakfast and lunch combined.

Seated with him, ordinarily, are his four secretaries, the assistant priests and some important visitor whom the pastor invited to lunch to discuss some business affair pertaining either to the Shrine, to the League of the Little Flower or to Social Justice Publishing Corporation.

Perhaps I should not tell this: But nothing really important is decided by Father Coughlin unless he listens attentively to the well-remembered experiences and keen judgment of the four secretaries who have been with him for more than 12 years. He says that he has made many mistakes, but he always adds that most of these mistakes were due to his having turned a deaf ear to the better judgment of his faithful secretaries.

Editor Brings Along Plenty of Problems

And so back to the office by 1:15. On this particular Monday the artist who is about to decorate the walls of the beautiful Little Flower chapel is received. For nearly a half hour her problems are discussed. Then there are a few minutes devoted to the superintendent of the building who is planning an addition to the parochial convent.

Eventually—and this happens every day—Perrin Schwartz, with beaming countenance, is announced. Under his arm there is a bulging portfolio of proof sheets, layouts and production problems in general.

There, indeed, is a session. Arguments for and arguments against; re-expressions of policy; reminders of principles; decisions for front and back page covers until finally the magazine editor departs in peace and Father Coughlin turns his attention to the radio editors who are preparing the afternoon broadcast and the evening comment on the news over Stations CKLW and WHIP.

Father Coughlin doesn't write these comments. Occasionally—and especially on Monday afternoons—he has a general directional word for these editors. Today, he spoke to them about the new policy advertised by the A. F. of L.—the principle of the living annual wage. He invited these radio gentlemen to give it a "plug" but to be careful to make plain that SOCIAL JUSTICE was only endorsing a principle and not men.

Every Day Filled With New Interruptions

Well, I would like to detail all the events of last Monday. I would like to tell you about each event that transpired until the gong sounded at 5:00 o'clock. But prudence suggests that I had better limit this gossip —or else.

However, after supper the Boss and Joe Wright played *Badminton* for a half hour. Then there was a conference which lasted nearly an hour with the A. F. of L. organizers. Then there was an hour spent in the front office with the members of the parish. Then there was a walk with Pal around the church.

That was one Monday; one day among 365!

Every day is just a little different. Some evenings are devoted to instruction classes, to visiting the sick and to religious services. Other evenings —at least two a week—are spent in cruising around Oakland County for an hour or two, or visiting with his father and mother. Other days are occupied with writing and reading. Nearly every night there is some reading Father Coughlin must do after he retires to his own quarters. The reading of his religious *Office*, of reports on various books and articles prepared for him by his staff.

Every day except Saturday is spent in such fashion. These hours are partly devoted to the Sunday broadcast.

And so, Father Coughlin, when you read this "Winchellism" which the Editor and I have slipped into SOCIAL JUSTICE where you had tentatively suggested something else, please go easy and do not make a fast decision.

National Day at the Shrine

THE SHRINE of the Little Flower in Royal Oak, Michigan, will be host to thousands of visitors over the week-end of September 3rd. From our representatives in New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago, we have received reports that large groups of friends and acquaintances are coming to Royal Oak over the Labor Day week-end.

Father Coughlin plans to be at the Shrine every day during that period. On Sunday morning he will participate in solemn services which begin at 10:30 o'clock. In the afternoon, Father Coughlin will deliver a special message to all those who are in attendance at the Shrine.

The popularity of the Shrine of the Little Flower is greater today than ever before. There is not a day in the week but automobiles bearing the license plates from various of the 48 states of the nation are parked around the spacious grounds. The majestic structure is beautiful at this season. The beautiful blue spruce and varied colored flowers are admired by everyone who visits the premises.

At all hours of the day men and women are at prayer or standing before colored marble chapels. The Blessed Sacrament chapel is especially an inspiration to prayer and devotion.

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Boston Mass Meeting

Father Coughlin to Address Social Justiceites in Massachusetts

On the evening of Friday, September 8, a mass meeting of Christian-American readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine and their friends will be held in the Boston Arena, Massachusetts Avenue and St. Botolph Street.

After a series of speeches by prominent citizens of New England, Father Coughlin will speak directly to the gathering by telephone and public address system from the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak.

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CHAPTER XII

Why Are Jews Persecuted?

No race has experienced the whiplash of suffering more than has the Jewish race.

Before the time of Christ Jews constituted the chosen people. In one sense the Jewish race was the darling of Almighty God. To its people He sent divinely inspired prophets to teach them, to warn them and to chastise them.

In the prophecies, stretching from the Book of Genesis to the Book of Machabees, it is significantly pointed out that the Jewish people had been chosen by God to preserve the knowledge of God in a world that had turned its face from Him.

In the inspired books of the Old Testament, as the Christians call it, and the Tarah, as the Jews term it, there were detailed promises relating to the coming of the Messias. In the beginning these promises were vague and generic. Little by little, as one turns the pages, they become clear and specific.

That a Messias, the Son of God, was expected is an incontestable fact for anyone who relies upon the ancient Scriptures for his argument. That this Messias was to be born in Bethlehem of Judea; that He was to be flesh of our flesh; that His mother was to remain a virgin; that He was to be done to death by those whom He came to save; that He was to be rejected; that His garments were to be diced for and His side pierced with a spear until the last drop of His blood crimsoned the earth; and that He would rise glorious and immortal from the tomb wherein His enemies had sealed Him—these items are part and parcel of the prophecies contained in the ancient Scriptures—prophecies so well known to the leaders of the Jews at the time of Christ's birth that the officials of the temple knew well how to direct the Wise Men of the East to the little town of Bethlehem when they came to visit the King of Kings.

Alas! the 28th Chapter of the Book of *Deuteronomy* is likewise a prophetic warning to both Jews and Gentiles—particularly to the Jews: If they remain faithful to the Messias they will be blessed; if they reject Him, they will be cursed.

Basically, that is the answer as to why Jews are persecuted. Not Jews, the racialists, but Jews, the rejectors of the Messias.

Cardinal Newman, in the closing pages of his magnificent work entitled *"The Grammar of Assent,"* lucidly covers this point.

Rejection of Christ Nation's Social Sin

In the case of the Jews (and I am considering them as a race) they committed a social sin in rejecting Christ through their highest officers and in choosing in His stead Barabbas, a common thief. That was a social sin, I repeat. And it so happens that social sins, or sins attributed to a whole race or nation, are paid for in this life.

In general, the above thoughts offer a reasonable theological answer to the question: "Why are Jews persecuted?" But aside from that, many authors contribute many other reasons for the persecution of the Jews. A contributor to *The Sign* of April, 1938, a Catholic magazine, wrote as follows:

"Now, persecution is never right but it must be admitted that the Jews have at times offered some ground for the assaults which have been made on them. Since the outbreak of hostilities in Spain, the Jews of the world have shown a united front against Franco and Nationalist Spain and in favor of the Madrid-Valencia-Barcelona regime. They have used all the resources at their command through propaganda and material assistance to aid the cause of the Reds and to harm that of the Nationalists."

The article then continues in this wise: "Generalissimo Franco appears at present to be well on his way towards bringing the whole of Spain under his control. When it is done we hope that he will be a good enough Christian to forget the hostility of World Jewry in his hour of need and will repress any attempted reprisals. If he fails in this, the Jews of the world should remember that it was they and not he who declared war."

Considering that Jews are a minority, not only in the world but in every nation in the world; and considering that almost without exception Jewish leaders supported the anti-Christian movement in Spain, did not their actions invite repercussions? Were not the enemies of General Franco definitely anti-Christian?

Did not the press, radio and silver screen wherein the Jews hold such prominent and powerful positions, pervert the truth of the Spanish civil war in favor of the anti-Christians? These are provocative questions and are pertinent to the heading of this chapter.

Bolshevism 'Parallels Ideals of Judaism'

Did not the *Jewish Chronicle* in its issue of April 4, 1919 publish that: "There is much in the fact of Bolshevism itself, in the fact that so many Jews are Bolsheviks, in the fact that the ideals of Bolshevism at many points are consonant with the finest ideals of Judaism."

By the way, these excerpts and others which I am using as evidence have not been "lifted" from any Nazi or anti-Semitic newspaper or periodical. Perchance, certain publicists of this type may advertise to the world that Father Coughlin utilized information which they spread upon their pages. The fact remains that both Father Coughlin and myself had, and still have, access to the original documents which we utilized.

In the July, 1938 issue of *The Sign* magazine which was quoted above, we find a further expression of Catholic sentiment which is germane to the question, "Why are Jews persecuted?" It reads as follows:

"Jews are by no means all Communists, but a disproportionate number of that race are either Communists or members of other radical groups which are openly and violently hostile to Christianity. Fired by a hatred of Naziism, Jews fight fiercely against Fascism in all its forms, Jewish-owned publications, and publications whose policies are, to some extent, determined by their large Jewish advertisers, had been beating the drums so loud and long against a supposed Fascist menace that it is becoming nauseating. The net result will probably be to cause persecution of Jews in Spain and Italy, where they have been very well treated."

To substantiate the thesis that Jews have carried on such activities not only in Spain but that they have been extremely active for a score of years in co-operation with the aims of the atheistic Jewish rulers of Communist Russia, there is a world of evidence.

Catholic Press, Not Nazis, Fr. Coughlin's Source

The Catholic press in many countries has pointed out these facts long before Hitler became a world figure. For instance, in Italy, as far back as May, 1928, we have the following powerful testimony from that excellent Catholic Jesuit publication *Civilta Cattolica* (p. 341, May 19, 1928):

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"But coming to the topic to which the document invites us, to the Jewish peril that threatens the whole world by its pernicious infiltration and evil influences, especially among the Christian nations and more particularly among the Latin Catholics, where the blindness of the old liberalism has particularly favored the Jews, whilst it persecuted the Catholics, most particularly religious, this peril becomes every day more and more threatening. It is to the credit of our periodical—we may say this in all sincerity—that we have denounced this peril from its very beginning. We have denounced it, furnishing documents, proofs and facts of the frequent and undeniable alliance with Masonry . . . or other sects and societies camouflaged as patriotic, but in reality fluctuating towards or tending in fact to the subversion . . . of the modern civil and religious society.

"Rejecting the propensity of those who wish to hold the Jews responsible for all the worst events afflicting the world, and Europe in particular, we have tried, as can be seen, for instance, in the question of Bolshevism, to show clearly in these pages how great has been the responsibility and the preponderance of the misguided generation of Jews in the Russian revolution, as well as already in the French, and in the more recent one in Hungary with all their concomitant destructions, cruelties and savage horrors. From the Russian revolution the dissolution of the Russian Empire and that tyranny of Bolshevism which now threatens Europe have resulted. This fact is admitted by all those who are best informed upon contemporaneous history.

"It is vain indeed that a Jewish revue, *Univers Israelite,* (August 8, 1925), has endeavored to prove that the Jews in Russia did not create Bolshevism but only Menshevism. Vain efforts indeed not only by reason of the weakness of the arguments, but also even if the claims were true, because it is certain that Menshevism was merely a step, a decisive step, towards Bolshevism, just as liberalism was a step towards Socialism and the latter towards Communism which led finally to the impiety and barbarity of the Bolshevik anarchy." [And Father Coughlin is accused of "cribbing" from Goebbels! Ed.]

Jews Win Dominance in World Masonry

"To such extremity has the Jewish propaganda, in alliance with the Masonic and the Bolshevik led us. We cannot understand why it is protected by governments which pretend to oppose resolutely all such Masonic, liberalistic, Socialistic and Communistic propaganda. In less than a century this propaganda has led from complete toleration, or from a status rather of privilege than of simple liberty or equality which was conceded to the Jews, to their hegemony in many fields of public life especially in the economic and industrial field and in the domains of high finance, where they hold a dictatorial preponderancy which empowers them to make laws for States and governments, in matters concerning politics and finance without fear of a rival, as has happened during the great war."

"And in spite of this (their small percentage of the total population), they (the Jews) hold leading positions in the industries, in the banks, in diplomacy and even more so in the occult societies plotting their world hegemony.

"We hear that many statesmen, politicians, journalists and other writers complain about this state of affairs; and even more bitterly the industrialists and financiers. But not one of these, while placing the blame upon the Jews, considers how great is his own complicity and how terrible his own responsibility when all modern societies are in such a deplorable condition. It is they, who in conjunction with the sons of Judea, have prepared and unleashed the religious persecution against the Catholics and against the clergy; and also the anti-Christian strife which is the basis of the whole liberalistic and Masonic movement. Hence the alliance of liberalism and Judaism with Masonry that has finally given to the race and nation of the Jews such a great influence may indeed reach a great social preponderance for Jews in all domains of modern life especially in the economic field. This is a sadly humiliating subjection, but it is the result and the punishment of this false liberal patriotism and of its insincere 'Nationalism.' It is evident that Italy has been compelled to subject herself in large measure to this pernicious influence because of her social, economic and political conditions just as other nations, especially the Latin nations, are also subject to it. But what is even more deplorable is that the people not only adapt themselves to it but that they also are pleased with it and show it favor, as for example, when this influence is favored by the so-called 'League of Nations'."

It is a fact well known today that Benito Mussolini's Fascist movement in Italy has eradicated Judaeo-Masonic influences from governmental economic and financial fields. In Italy the Judaeo-Masons were the first to have to go. Then came repercussions upon the Jews who were not included in that purge, but who still held extremely important positions in army, navy, financial and economic spheres.

Communism Gave Dictators Opportunity

In Germany the process was reversed in chronological sequence, i. e., the first task concerned itself with the removal of Jewish influence as such, and later it was extended against the power obtained through Grand Orient Masonry.

Relative to this point Father Daniel A. Lord, S. J., writes in his pamphlet *"What's the Matter with Europe?"* the following paragraphs:

"For every dictator marched into

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power on a definite promise that he would save the country from the peril that was Communism. They all grabbed power on a clearly anti-Communistic program. They guaranteed to save the country from the Red peril around it, and the country gave them a chance to make good their guarantee.

"Before the coming of Mussolini, Italy was convinced that its danger from Communism was great. Mussolini marched on Rome with a handful of ragged Black Shirts who could have been turned back by a few regiments of the Italian army. The Italian army was ready to act. Its general wired the Italian king, 'Shall I stop these men?'

"The king hesitated. He was afraid of Communism and all that it would mean. Mussolini was coming with a guarantee that he could save the country from that peril. The king decided. Back flashed the order, 'Let them come.' The army stood aside and Mussolini and his men were permitted to take over Rome and Italy.

"Mussolini knew that his job was to make good—clear the country of Communism. He fulfilled his promises.

"Hitler's program was another promise to free his country from the peril of Communism. Of course he had the added advantage of being able to promise to rid it of the Treaty of Versailles. But the destruction of Communism was one of his most emphatic pledges. Communism was the foe. Communism must be beaten. He, Hitler, could do it, and would. So, from the minute that Germany accepted Hitler as its dictator, his policy against Communism has been increasingly aggressive. He set about clearing Germany of the members of the Third International. He faced Russia with the strength of growing armies."

Evidently, Father Daniel Lord and Father Coughlin are in agreement on that basic point, namely, that Fascism and Naziism are defense mechanisms against Communism.

Catholic Press Warned Germany

Even before Herr Hitler became the "German Fuehrer" the Catholic press of Germany had much to say concerning the deplorable conditions, from the Christian standpoint, which existed in that country under democratic rule. The following extract from the internationally famous Catholic weekly *Schoernere Zukumft* of November 13, 1932, is from the pen of Dr. Joseph Eberle and shows the Austro-German Catholic reaction against the Jewish control of German life. He says:

"Today, Catholics are almost completely silent about the question of Judaism, though Jewish influence not only in Russia, Hungary, Poland, France, England, America and Austria, but also in Germany, has attained a degree of power and might altogether out of proportion to the number of Jews in the total populations of these countries.

"Three-fourths of the large banking concerns, the head of which we must place the four big D-Banks—Deutsche Bank, Darmstadter Bank, Diskonto-Gesellschaft and Dresdner Bank—three-fourths of the big exchanges, including those of Berlin, Frankfort and Hamburg, three-fourths of the principal commercial enterprises, including those of Karstadt, Tietz and Werheim, three-fourths of the leading newspapers, of the publishing firms, of the telegraphic and advertising agencies, of the groups controlling theaters and cinema, are Jewish.

"In Austria, matters are still worse. Of course, there are still many non-Jewish industrial magnates, but they are becoming more and more subservient to banks directed by Jews. There are certainly still to be found rich landed proprietors and wealthy financiers who are Christians, but so far as the direction of economic affairs is concerned, they are without influence, in comparison with Jewish financial magnates, such as Charles Furstenberg, Dr. Solmssen, Mammroth, Bleichroder, Speyer-Ellissen, Sobernheim, Landau, Arnhold, Dr. Solamonsohn, Eugen Gutman, Von Straus, Kempner, Freiherr von Oppenheim, Warburg, etc. There are still influential Catholic publishing firms, but even firms like those of Herder and Kosel-Pustet are much inferior to the Jewish publishing firms of Ullstein, Mosse, Cassirer, E. Goldschmidt, etc. There are certainly many non-Jewish writers. Nevertheless we learn from statistics of the publishing business that, in Germany, foreign and Jewish authors are more widely read than German and Christian authors, so that Borries von Munchausen speaks of the passing of the German soul.

"It can be established also that the best known non-Jewish men of letters, as for example Gerhart, Hauptmann and Sudermann, owe their literary success to their friendliness towards Judaism. Such are the intellectual and economic power and influence of Jews in Germany today. And yet Catholics in great measures keep silence about the matter. This silence is, in part, due to ignorance, especially in the provinces. But it is also due to an already existing dependence on Jews.

"Three-fourths of the Christian newspapers would be reduced to two-thirds or even one-half of their present size, if they were compelled to give up the advertisements of Jewish shops and banks, and Jewish advertisements would not be forthcoming if the Jewish questions were treated of."

Sought for Harmony of Jews and Christians

Corroborating the above statement and, at the same time, clarifying it, the following is taken from *Civilta Cattolica* (an official Jesuit publication), October 10, 1938. "We, like our predecessors, insist that one and the other [justice and charity—Ed. note] must be practiced and maintained towards the Jews, even though it may be a certainty that they will not practice these virtues towards us. Certainly, they have never practiced these virtues during past persecutions of the Church caused or promoted by them in cooperation with Masonry—which they have upheld too often—or with other subversive and anti-Christian parties existing from the era of the 'great' French Revolution down to our own day.

"But this has never led us and it will never lead us to pay them back in the same coin; *but, nevertheless, we are inspired to put every obstacle in the way of their wrong doing and to protect others from their preponderant influence—and we do this for the commonweal, moral and religious, and especially for the protection of the Jews themselves.*

"In 1890 our *Review* insisted on this last point—the discovery of a method to harmonize the presence of Jews with the rights of Christians. Such a method must regulate the presence and residence of Jews by laws designed to prevent the Jews from injuring the common welfare of Christians and to restrain Christians from injuring the welfare of the Jews. Consequently these laws are not odious and unfavorable but rather framed for the mutual advantage of Jew and Christian.

"Our predecessor of the preceding century thinks that the absolute civil equality which liberalism granted to the Jews, and which joined them to the movement of Masonry was not only not due to them, since they have no right to it, but is also harmful to them and to the Christians. He was of the opinion that 'sooner or later by agreement or by coercion they will have to remake' what has been undone a hundred years ago in the ancient civil legislation out of love for innovations, for an apparent liberty and a false progress. 'And perhaps,' he added, 'the Jews themselves will be forced to ask that the legislation will be recast.' The reason for this prophecy is now apparent to us; because we see today that the preponderance to which the revolutionary legislation has raised them is digging an abyss beneath their feet —an abyss equal in its depths to the heights on which they find themselves.

"But above all, we have a very good reason to consider if all that our predecessor denounced in 1890 is not too true now and has not been confirmed by the experience of half a century, namely, 'that the equality given to the Jews by the anti-Christian sect, wherever it has usurped the government of the people, has created the effect of uniting Judaism with Masonry in the persecution of the Catholic Church and of exalting the Jewish race above the Christians in occult forces and evident opulence'."

Jews Invited to Oppose Communism

"Why are Jews persecuted?"

There is a theological reason. There is a social reason. There is an economic reason. And all these reasons were well known to Father Coughlin who invited the religious Jews to cooperate with him in cleansing America of Communism from whose unholy loins there sprang unholy Naziism with its resultant persecution.

Possibly it is as the Radio Priest said in one of his addresses that it is more a question of Semitism in America than of anti-Semitism. And possibly, Semitism which religous American Jews have permitted to be labeled as internationalism, to be identified with Communism, to be associated with usury, and to be wedded to the untruthful propaganda of the press and the lustful presentations of the cinema—possibly within the orbit of that sphere one can find the reason for the persecution of the Jews.

In concluding this chapter I maintain that anyone—Catholic, Protestant or Jew—who reviews the mass of testimony set down in these previous chapters readily realizes the great injustice committed against Father Coughlin whom the General Jewish Council has labeled as an anti-Semitic priest.

The testimony which I have incorporated originates with popes, cardinals, bishops and leading Catholic publications in various countries.

However, the attempt to label the Radio Priest as an anti-Semite is an insult not only to him but to the millions of Catholics who honestly and truthfully have discussed the baneful activities of Jewry which contribute so much to the discontent of the nations throughout the world.

To discuss the baneful activities of Jewry and to hate the Jews are two different things entirely. A reading of the *Decree of the Holy Office* of March 25, 1938, which appeared in a previous chapter, will reveal that in their book the General Jewish Council has gone to extreme lengths of misrepresentation in order to try to convince Catholics particularly that Father Coughlin is guilty of "violating the canons of his Church." The Catholic Church in the *Decree* referred to, while condemning anti-Semitism only condemns that type which is "hatred" against the Jewish people. It does not condemn the discussion of the Semitic question.

Critics Misquote Decree of Holy Office

It is well to dwell upon this point for a moment in relation to the extravagances printed by the General Jewish Council in their book. This representative body of Jewry misquoted the *Decree of the Holy Office* on page 52 of their book; it deliberately omitted two important phrases from the *Decree;* it misrepresented the authorship of the *Decree;* it submitted a false date for the *Decree,* namely, September 25, 1928.

And for reasons best known to it, the General Jewish Council concealed the aim and purpose of the *Decree* from which its misquotations and misrepresentations were taken.

Therefore, instead of combatting Father Coughlin, the General Jewish Council has fanned the flames insofar as they have not had the courage to deny their falsehoods and have forced our hand to answer them, thereby being responsible for the printing and publishing of this material which in nowise tends to calm the troubled waters of racialism in America.

As for the *Decree* which the General Jewish Council misquoted by process of deletion and misrepresentation, be it known that the General Jewish Council even concealed the aim and purpose of the *Decree* in using it. Here are the facts: The extremist organization known as the "Friends of Israel," was the brainchild of a Dutch Jewess who became a convert to the Catholic faith. In due course of time, the Holy Office, on March 25, 1938—not September 25, 1928 as the General Jewish Council published—condemned and abolished the society known as "The Friends of Israel" in a decree entitled *Amici Israel;* and in condemning this organization, clearly designated the type of anti-Semitism which is abhorred by the Catholic Church, namely, hatred of the Jews.

The lamentable fact resultant from the General Jewish Council book is that a considerable number of Catholics and Protestants—both in the clergy and in the laity—have seen fit to quote the misquotation from the General Jewish Council book, failing to acquaint themselves with the truth of the entire matter. In this instance names are not important because the litany of these names is as lengthy as is the litany of the saints.

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Extra! Read Latest Lies About Father Coughlin, Peddled by Reds

Communist Liars Whisper of Dog Pack, Nazis, Gambling, Whisky

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Press agentry has been described as "streamlined truth," and from that definition the Communists would make the late Dexter Fellows, Steve Hannagan and Ivy Lee look like double-distilled nincompoops.

The Reds not only hammer down the truth, and knock off the undesirable edges in attempting to streamline it; they twist it, turn it, stretch and contort it until the slender fact from which the lie arose looks like the victim of three train wrecks, seven riots and a wild assortment of airplane crashes. For instance, upon arriving here recently, your correspondent was amazed to find afloat a series of rumors concerning Father Coughlin—rumors as far from fact as Joplin, Missouri, is from Nome, Alaska.

It is not unusual to hear rumors concerning Father Coughlin, of course. The rumor-spreaders have been at it for the last 13 years, but this time the lies and rumors are vastly more vicious and depraved. The lies this time appear to be the deliberate product of diseased Communist intellects.

The Villain Rides in the Night—at 120 M.P.H.

Your correspondent, in talking to a group of bland-faced newspapermen, was told that Father Coughlin "drives an immense, high-powered, sleek, sport convertible automobile, and drives it at the rate of 120 miles an hour on the highway; from 60 to 80 miles an hour in the city, and does most of his driving in the dark secrecy of the night." He was told furthermore that Father Coughlin "surrounds himself with bloodthirsty mastiffs, and never goes automobiling without having the back seat groaning under the weight of six mouth-frothing Great Danes," snarling and awaiting their chance to bite a member of the C.I.O.

Father Coughlin, so the rumormongers of the Communist Party tell it, "spends morning, afternoon and night plotting with Nazi advisers around a conference table in the rectory of the Shrine of the Little Flower." These men abuse the flag, plot havoc against the nation, and prepare for the dee-struction of America, heh, heh, heh!

Yes, the Communist prevaricators whisper darkly of Hitler's "personal emissaries who sit in with Father Coughlin at every meal," and map the course the Radio Priest is to follow in leading America to the brink of destruction.

Radio Priest's Morals Do Not Escape Lying Red Tongues

And Father Coughlin's person and morals do not escape the attack of these loose, lying Communist tongues. The Radio Priest, they say, is a beast who selects his secretaries with an eye more to their beauty than to their brains; a "sot who drinks straight whisky all the time, and downs several quarts during a Sunday broadcast." The Shrine "houses a giant bar," the Reds tell their associates, and visitors are entertained at it. And in addition, Father Coughlin is addicted to the vice of gambling in all its worst forms.

Your correspondent has known the Radio Priest for some time, but he must have been asleep most of the time in the presence of Father Coughlin, for he never saw any of these things. He has seen Father Coughlin's automobile, and ridden in it. And it *is* big. It's a big, black sedan, but if Father Coughlin or Billy Myers drove it 120 miles an hour, it would first have to be equipped with wings. And, far from being a convertible sport model, it's about as sporty as a hearse, and just as convertible.

The Radio Priest has two Great Danes, both given to him by personal friends. Their names are Pal and Pete. Pal is older, by more than a year. Pete is a troublesome pup with a great future. Neither froths at the mouth, as yet. And as far as menacing or biting anyone is concerned, Pal is looking for Heywood Broun, and Pete loves to bite Pal.

The Girls Would Love to Claw Lying Communists

If any "Nazis" ever come to the Rectory of the Shrine of the Little Flower, they had better bring their own provisions for dinner. And if they want to do any plotting, they'll have to do it in their hotel rooms. But they are welcome any time. Just as welcome as the Reds, any day of the week, Sundays included.

As far as the base lies about Father Coughlin's morals are concerned, they are not deserving of rebuttal, even in fun. Nearly all the office workers at the Shrine are girls who have grown up in the community, and who have worked at the Shrine for from five to 15 years. They would be most glad to cuff any Red who would dare to lie about them or Father Coughlin to their faces.

The only "bar" at the Shrine is the ban on Stalinites, Trotzkyites, "Nazis" and assorted other un-Americans. And the only gamble is in attempting to deal with Communist liars as gentlemen. That is a gigantic gamble any time, as Father Coughlin has found.

Turkeys Fight Roosevelt on a Raw Thanksgiving Deal

'Foul Play on Fowls', Shriek the Gobblers

GOBBLEBORO, VERMONT—Here in the heart of the New England turkey country, where the long-legged gobblers swarm over the rocky hillsides and an active anti-nasty movement has been started to halt the inroads of the axes' powers, it has become apparent that the solid turkey vote will go to the Republican Party in 1940.

The gobblers, disgruntled by the action of President Roosevelt in moving Thanksgiving up one week from November 30 to November 23, have marshaled around their political leader, Old Tom, and have pledged their unsparing effort to put a Republican in office in the next presidential year.

Old Tom, perhaps, is the most disgruntled of the lot. His face red with fury, his naked, bristly neck riding high, Old Tom revealed that he had been corresponding with Donald Duck on the West Coast, and that he expected to have an announcement of extreme political importance within the next few weeks.

Such Brutality! And in the Twentieth Century, Too!

"Why, gobble, gobble, gobble, the most amazing thing about it all," said old Tom, "is the ingratitude of that man Roosevelt. Last Thanksgiving he was strongly pro-Turkey. He expressed complete satisfaction with our people and said that he was thankful to have an opportunity to carve up one of our men.

"Now, apparently, he has sold out to the department store interests, and brutally orders the sacrifice of our best citizens a week ahead of time. I can scarcely believe that such things could occur in our twentieth century civilization. Why, gobble, gobble, gobble, the turkey tradition is as rich as Thanksgiving day itself. We came out of the wilderness, domesticated ourselves, and brought our people up to respect the highest expressions of cuisine and culture—and look what we get for our efforts—as usual we get it in the neck!"

From the West Coast, it was revealed, Donald Duck had issued a statement branding President Roosevelt as a brutal anti-Turkey—and a man who would stoop to any level, even that of stirring up fowl against fowl, for political gain. And Old Tom's first lieutenant in this area, Cox Comb, was equally indignant.

"President Roosevelt's foul treatment of fowls is treachery," he said, "crass, unequivocal treachery, and he must be whipped in 1940. I'd sure like to "axe" that man to dinner some time and see how he likes it."

F.D.R. Society to Organize Nation-Wide Storm of Protest

From neighboring states roosters, ducks and geese poured expressions of sympathy and mutual understanding into this sector. The Fowl Deed Regulation Society, composed of chickens, turkeys, and geese and devoted to keeping the best feathers foremost, announced that they were issuing a petition to bring impeachment proceedings against the President.

Cackle Jack, a six-pound rooster who is president of the F.D.R. Society, is leading the impeachment campaign and stated that he had written to Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes. "Mr. Ickes in a way should have the interest of our flocks at heart," Cackle Jack said. "He is in charge of interior affairs, and while we are not quite sure that interior affairs do not include oyster dressing and chestnut stuffing, still Mr. Ickes looks enough like one of us to have a sympathetic understanding of our plight."

Hoping for a possible reversal of President Roosevelt's edict before next year's calendars go into production, officials of the F.D.R. Society plan to place picket lines before the White House, the Department of Interior and the nation's butcher shops. They will carry signs shouting, "Down with Axes Aggression," "Down with Anti-Turkeys," "Down with Roosevelt, the Brutal Butcher," and similar whimsical appeals.

THEATRE NOTES

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Dictator Josef Stalin, supreme ruler of Red Russia, is sending the "Song and Dance Ensemble" of his Red Russian Army over for a six-week tour of America, beginning here Monday, September 18, at Carnegie Hall.

The ensemble includes 220 singers, dancers and instrumentalists recruited from the ranks of the Communist Army and Navy. A. Alexandroff will direct these artists, who came up the hard way from the peasant ranks, and who have not had an opportunity to examine any propaganda except Mr. Stalin's, to date.

Michael Myerberg, American manager of the tour, will conduct business affairs for the troupe. The Song and Dance team will be carefully rehearsed, both as to music and as to answers to be given inquiring American Reds, and American citizens and gentlemen. Mr. Myerberg and Mr. Alexandroff, it is expected, will not welcome any questions concerning the status of democracy and liberty under the Soviet system.

The tour is described as the "most ambitious project in cultural relations ever undertaken between two friendly peoples," by those in charge, and is described by observers as the most gigantic propagandistic device ever permitted the use of American theatres.

Tickets will be sufficiently high-priced that theatregoers will believe they are getting something for their money, and all profits will go to the cause of further propagandizing America.

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Ickes Offers Alaskan Deal to Refugees

Would Open Rich Land Which We Neglect, to Europe's Migrants

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Interior Secretary Harold L. Ickes suggests that immigration bars to Alaska be let down so that refugees from Europe—where industries have been "broken up or diverted by current waves of intolerance"—may be admitted to colonize and develop the rich Alaskan resources.

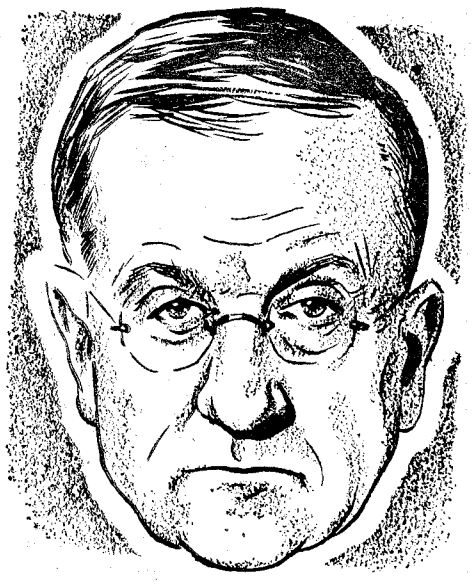
Ickes' suggestion was made upon publication of a report prepared under the direction of Undersecretary Harry Slattery. This report recommended that the immigration bars be lifted because present restrictions had a "disastrous effect" upon the development of Alaska.

COMMENT:

As a sop to Americans, Mr. Ickes in his statement incorporated the suggestion that perhaps Americans also could take advantage of this opportunity to migrate to Alaska's rich frontier. He cited the richness of the Alaskan resources—her furs, fish, timber and waterpower. He cited the undeveloped condition of her industries, and upon that basis asked that the doors be opened and the flocks of troubled *and troublesome* Europeans be herded northward to Alaska.

When Mr. Ickes suggests that Americans take over Alaska, develop her resources and boom her industries, he is 100 per cent right. When he suggests that Europeans be welcomed in, he is 100 per cent wrong.

In the first place, why does he propose entering these Europeans? Simply because they are refugees—political refugees. There are other types of refugees, and America *is full of them.* These types are the economic and social refugees—those who would flee from an industrial system that gives them three months employment in 12 months; those whose farm



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land has wasted and whose yield is insufficient to support a family; those who cannot live according to the American standard in their present plight.

Any colonization and development of Alaska must be undertaken *at American expense.* It could not be undertaken otherwise, and we would not want it developed by foreign capital even if it were offered. Thus the subsidization of Ickes' proposed European refugees would be at the expense of America's taxpaying citizenry. If the Alaskan future is so bright, why not preserve it for America? Certainly the 10 or 12 million unemployed should furnish sufficient colonization material to develop Alaska to the fullest extent.

In short, the emigrant Europeans would bring nothing that could not be found here. They would be a burden and an expense to the United States, and while it would be a work of charity to care for them, charity still begins at home—where it is needed sadly. America is full of refugees from economic oppression, and few tears are being shed for them. A man in tattered clothing, his flesh wasted from undernourishment, his wife and children starving, is wholly as pity-provoking as a political refugee, forced to flee his own land for fear of physical punishment and hardship.

Roosevelt 'Neutrality' Threat to U. S. Peace

To Call Special Session of Congress If War Tension Rises Soon

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—With tension rising in Europe over the Danzig issue, the question arises naturally here: "What will be America's course in the event of war?" The only answer available was furnished by President Roosevelt, who said he would call Congress into special session if an actual war crisis arose.

In the event of a war becoming imminent in Europe or the Far East, Mr. Roosevelt said, he would call a special session immediately, to insure American neutrality along the lines of international law. Otherwise, he added, he saw no need for a special session.

COMMENT:

President Roosevelt has not abandoned his pet "neutrality" scheme, which provides for no neutrality at all, but provides rather for virtual *involvement* in the next war, on the side of Great Britain and France, and perhaps Soviet Russia. President Roosevelt at his press conference in Hyde Park, said that he favored neutrality legislation of the general type advocated by the New Deal forces in the recent session of Congress.

Congress Already Opposed to Mr. Roosevelt's Fake Neutrality

This "neutrality"—advocated by Bernard M. Baruch, Senator Key Pittman, Secretary of State Cordell Hull, and Congressman Sol Bloom, among others—would bring about repeal of the arms embargo provisions of present neutrality statutes, and very likely would involve abandonment of the cash-and-carry system of dealing with belligerents.

Congress has given its answer to the Administration's un-neutral neutrality program, and it was a negative answer. This prompted Mr. Roosevelt to declare that the United States was endangering the peace of Europe, by virtually telling the Axis powers that we would not fight on the side of Britain and France. Now, if Mr. Roosevelt were sincerely anxious for peace through neutrality, how could he ask for a moral alliance with Britain and France?

In stating that the United States thus endangered the peace, the President really tipped his hand. He confessed that his idea of neutrality was to align the destiny of this nation with the destinies of two European countries. This is not neutrality, it is involvement in war.

The Reason Why We Were Dragged Into the World War:

The knowledge that President Roosevelt has not abandoned his un-neutrality scheme, despite its defeat by Congress, is not a hopeful sign. It means that if war should occur, the President will call Congress into special session, and grant it no rest until it has frozen into law the Roosevelt ian ideas of un-neutral neutrality. And, of course, an alliance with Britain, France and perhaps Russia, means war for the United States.

In the World War, we were dragged in because, it was said, German submarine warfare endangered our shipping, and because a vast number of Americans lost their lives when the *Lusitania* was sunk by a German submarine. William Jennings Bryan, then Secretary of State, warned President Wilson of the danger of permitting Americans to sail on the vessels of nations at war. President Wilson did not see fit to follow Bryan's suggestion, and the inevitable occurred when the *Lusitania* plummeted to the bottom.

Yet the *Lusitania* was proper prey for the Germans, because it was flying the British flag, was carrying munitions as well as passengers, and was traveling in a war zone. But the Germans blasted this vessel, American lives were lost, and a war was declared on Germany as a result.

This indicates that poor executiveship in time of war brings quick involvement. Let us hope that should war occur, Mr. Roosevelt may see the light; may abandon un-neutral neutrality, and may make *airtight* the neutrality which this country desires and seeks. One mistake may be fatal.

Commonwealth Power Purchase Is Seen As Major Socialistic Step

THE NEWS:

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The Tennessee Electric Power Company, subsidiary of Commonwealth and Southern Corporation, has been sold to the Federal Government for $78,425,095.

This is the greatest transfer of a private utility to public ownership in the history of the United States and culminates a five-year controversy over the issue of Government ownership of public utilities.

COMMENT:

The Government has inaugurated its first important step in state socialism. Certainly there is no denying that this move does constitute socialism.

On the one hand, then, we hear the New Deal prate about encouraging private enterprise and on the other we *see* the same New Deal squelching private enterprise by driving it out of business, putting the Government in its place. There is something radically wrong with this picture. It looks more like Soviet Russia than the United States.

America arose to its present greatness under the system of private ownership and private enterprise. Government derives a large proportion of its revenue from taxes imposed on the profits of private business. But the New Deal apparently wants to scrap that system. At least it has charted such a course with the purchase of the Tennessee company.

Commonwealth & Southern did not go along voluntarily in the deal. It was forced to sell out, so it maintains, at only four-fifths of the value of the property. Wendell L. Willkie, president of Commonwealth, stated when the sale was completed: "This transaction has demonstrated that no business, however well run, *can endure against the competition of the Federal Government.*" He said his company was compelled to capitulate to the Government because it could not profitably resist "subsidized Government competition."

The theories of state socialism, fostered by the New Deal, have won a sweeping victory over the theory of private initiative and enterprise. No longer will the state of Tennessee receive taxes from this power company, taxes which helped the state to operate its government, its schools, its various other agencies.

In the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939 the Tennessee company paid state and local governments $2¼-million in taxes on its income from the sale of electric power. It paid approximately $575,000 more to the Federal Government. The total, according to a statement by the Commonwealth Corporation, represents a tax of 20 cents on every dollar collected in electric revenue. In addition, owners of bonds in the corporation also paid taxes on their securities.

All this public revenue now is lost because the Government itself has crushed the private operators out of business. Bonds in the socialistic enterprise are being sold largely on a tax-free basis, thus depriving the Government of taxes it formerly received when the business was in private hands.

To the socialist-persuaded New Dealers who argue they are seeking to distribute electric power at low rates to the consumer it may be pointed out that the average residential rate charged by Commonwealth & Southern is 26 per cent below the national average.

This Tennessee deal emphasizes probably more than any other recent radical New Deal scheme, the road Mr. Roosevelt and his satellites are traveling. It is definitely the road of Government domination over all business—and Roosevelt domination over all government.

Lundeen Asks Farm-Laborite for President

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Senator Lundeen, the Farmer-Laborite from Minnesota, stated here that if the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations would forget their differences and unite on a candidate, labor could pick the next President.

"The farm vote would swing in," Lundeen added, "and they could march right into the White House."

COMMENT:

Senator Lundeen places himself in the dangerous mob of those who advocate pitting class against class for political advantage. Supposing labor did succeed in electing its "own" President—one who would favor it at the expense of the other classes—what would be the result?

Needed class co-operation would be lost, and labor in the end would suffer, unless its labor president saw fit to drive forward to the dictatorship of the proletariat, and then the suffering would be more acute than ever. The President must represent *all* the people. He must not represent *one class* exclusively.

Samuel Gompers, the renowned founder of the A.F. of L., warned his followers to steer clear of entangling political alliances. Senator Lundeen's suggestion is the poorest argument yet advanced for uniting the forces of the A.F. of L. and the C.I.O.

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The Voice of Congress

Either from the *Congressional Record*, or communications directly to SOCIAL JUSTICE, these expressions of your Congressmen and United States Senators are given such deservedly wider distribution as publication in our columns will admit.

—EDITOR

Government Expenditure

By HON. HARRY FLOOD BYRD
Senator from Virginia

I WISH TO record an interesting statement by Mr. Wadsworth W. Mount, assistant director of research of the Merchants' Association of New York, on the subject *Excess Government Spending Covered by Printing Government Bonds.*

"As long as the Government can spend all the money it wants to, over and above what it takes in from taxes, merely by printing Government bonds, selling these to the banks, and then drawing checks against them, how can we ever hope to stop extravagant Government spending?

"And when the Government spends these billions in such ways that private citizens do not know which way to turn to make money, and therefore have comparatively little need to borrow from the banks in safe terms, where else can banks invest your money on deposit but in Government bonds?

"A banker knows that when the United States Government prints a Government bond it says in effect that the Government will tax the people of the United States to make it good. He knows, therefore, that Government bonds are the soundest security in the country, just so long as we do not issue too many of them and have inflation.

"Before the Government started spending several billions more each year than it took in from taxes, the savings banks, for instance, could safely lend your money, largely to people who wanted to spend it for private or business uses, at a high enough rate of interest to cover their expenses and pay you 4 per cent. Under present conditions, however, one of the few remaining safe places to invest bank funds is in Government bonds. Therefore, as the interest rate on long-term Treasury bonds has been lowered until their average yield is now approximately 2¼ per cent, at present about all the savings banks can safely get for the use of your money is enough to provide for necessary expenses and reserves and pay you only 2 per cent, or even less, on your deposits.

"The Treasury has just announced that to pay off some $426-million of outstanding obligations which are due in September and now carry an interest rate of 1⅜ per cent it will offer in exchange new 'notes' due in 5 years which will pay only three-fourths of 1 per cent.

"A New York investment firm recently showed that Treasury obligations maturing in a little more than 2 years now afford a yield of only one one-hundredth of 1 per cent. At this rate of return, it was pointed out that 'an investor would have to hold more than $144,000 par value to provide an income sufficient to buy his morning newspaper each day; he would have to hold $558,000 to provide enough funds to buy a daily package of cigarettes.'

"This means, therefore, that it will take you longer to pay for your life insurance, as the annual dividends will be less or the premiums will be more.

"Some people think that only the taxpayers of future generations will have to pay for the present Government spending. However, if you own a savings-bank account you are paying right now for the increased national debt by getting one-half or less of the amount of interest you used to receive, and the trend is still downward.

"This means then that if, for example, you were trying to put in the savings bank enough money to give you $2,000-a-year income, you will now have to save $100,000 or more, where when savings banks were able to invest your money safely and pay you 4 per cent you would only have had to save $50,000 to get this same income.

"Everyone in the nation has to pay one way or another for the money our Government officials are instructed to spend. Some pay taxes directly, but everyone pays indirectly for all Government services. *The Government has nothing to give to the people except what it gets from the people.*"

Invisible Government

By HON. J. THORKELSON
Representative from Montana

IS IT NOT possible that our foreign and domestic policies are propounded by the invisible government, by the same power that is now in control of pro-administration newspapers, of motion pictures and radio? Attempts are now being made by the Federal Government to seize control of broadcasting. Why? For no other reason than to control information which in its naked truth may prove embarrassing to those responsible for conditions as they are today.

Why is it necessary for the Federal Government to engage in motion pictures so as to distribute information prepared for public consumption by Federal bureaus? There is no excuse or need for the Federal Government to expend money on publicity, in order to sell itself to those who have always paid and are still paying all Government expenses. The people may be fooled by this for a while, but that day is now passed, for we are facing a reality which no amount of conversation, moving pictures, or other propaganda can overcome. We are near the end of the road as we face disintegration.

For the past 7 years Congress has turned over to the President the power to control money and credits abroad and at home. The result of this is evidenced in stagnant industries and idleness, which is no more than we may expect, for unlimited control of money and power in the wrong hands becomes an instrument of destruction to public liberties and free governments.

Black Farm Picture

By HON. HENRY CABOT LODGE, JR.
Senator from Massachusetts

SO FAR AS improving the condition of agriculture is concerned, I point out the fact that in the past 10 years 30 per cent of the farmers, or one in every three, have been sold out under foreclosure.

The idea is quite generally held that we are making good progress in solving our economic problems, particularly those of the farmer. It would be ridiculous to contend that some improvement has not been apparent in the past year or two as compared with 1931 and 1932. What we are likely to forget is that such a comparison only contrasts faltering hopes with black despair.

Wealth Is Here

By HON. STEPHEN BOLLES
Representative from Wisconsin

WHEN WE HEAR schemers and destroyers talking glibly of the redistribution of wealth, I wonder if they know what they mean in the first or last analysis.

Wealth is not in money, not in Wall Street, New York, or La Salle Street, Chicago, not in banks or in gold or silver. Wealth is in the farms and buildings, in homes and barns and silos and hen houses; in livestock and pastures, in wheat and corn and oat fields; in village homes, in great buildings and little buildings, in sewers and pavements and electric-light poles and gas meters, water mains and automobiles—30-million of them—in docks and wharves and steamships and airplanes; in churches and schools and books and musical instruments; in clothing, dishes and spoons and knives and forks — wherever you look—at trees, growing grass—into the hog pen, the chickenyard or the coal bin, and a thousand other items—there is the wealth of the United States.

Of course, it is divided, but you will readily realize it is not capable of being redistributed by ukase of laws. The reason is clear. Not one single dollar in value of this visible, tangible wealth came by either law or magic. It is the result of labor and labor alone.

No group of 531 men in Congress, or a man in the White House, can create out of nothing one single 5-cent piece of wealth for the people of the United States. The alembic of the alchemist failed to produce gold by artificial process. The alembic of legislation is just as impotent.

Russian Peppermint

By HON. FRED L. CRAWFORD
Representative from Michigan

IF YOU ARE from a mint district in Ohio you will be interested in knowing that more Russian peppermint oil came to the United States in the month of May than was grown in your Ohio mint fields all of last year!

Those of you who represent the peppermint-growing districts of Washington should be interested in knowing that Russia sent more peppermint oil to the United States in the months of May and June this year than was produced on your Washington mint fields during 1938!

Imports of Russian peppermint oil in 4 months this year represents 25 per cent of the Michigan production.

Depressed prices received by the American peppermint farmers have been largely responsible for the decline in production from 1,352,000 pounds of oil in 1935 to only 732,000 pounds last year.

During 1938 we produced on American farms 732,000 pounds of peppermint oil and at the same time we exported 371,000 pounds.

In 4 months of the current year we have imported from Russia 12½ per cent as much oil as we exported to the world in the 12 months of 1938, Russia is multiplying her shipments of this product to the United States, and if she continues to ship into this country during the remainder of the year as she did in June she will have dumped 40 per cent as much oil on the American market as the American farmer exported. And let me again remind you that we consume only 50 to 60 per cent of oil produced on American farms.

The first shipment of Russian peppermint oil that disturbed the American growers arrived last December. Then in March her shipments amounted to 4,983 pounds; in April, to 6,468 pounds, and in May it jumped to 16,535 pounds, and June totaled 17,988 pounds. Russia has exported more peppermint oil to the United States in any one month this year than the whole world has in previous years. The peppermint growers of our country have reason to be disturbed and they have a right to have protection against their home market being further depressed by the importation of cheap Russian peppermint oil.

Another Clean-Up!

By HON. USHER L. BURDICK
Representative from North Dakota

I SAW BY the paper that the Commodity Exchange Administration has requested reports of all long and short accounts in Chicago May wheat. Open contracts on the exchange are 5½-million bushels and stocks of wheat in Chicago are less than 4-million, and probably not all of that delivery grades.

Someone has sold more May wheat in Chicago than can be delivered, and if the same procedure is followed that has been the custom in the past, the Chicago Board of Trade and the Commodity Exchange Administration will order the holders of long May wheat contracts to sell and the short sellers will have made another big clean-up at the expense of the grain farmers of this country.

The board of trade has complete control, with the Commodity Exchange Administration, of the futures trading machinery on the board of trade and in every case where the short sellers have driven prices down by selling more grain than they could deliver the board of trade has abrogated the contracts by closing the market or abrogated contracts by ordering the holders of long contracts to sell, thus letting the shorts buy in their short contracts at bargain prices.

How long must we put up with this skulduggery?

Are we willing to sit by and see these fictitious short sales made which lower the farmers' prices and see these same short trades "washed out" by an order of the board of trade when they mature?

Wash trades are unlawful under the Commodity Exchange Act but I maintain that the Chicago Board of Trade "washes" out trades right along and always in the interest of the short seller and detrimental to the producer of grain in this country.

Illinois Debt Load

By HON. RALPH E. CHURCH
Representative from Illinois

IF THE FARMERS of the State of Illinois sold their farms and the improvements on them for the 1938 tax value, the total sale price would pay less than half of Illinois' share of the national debt.

Indeed, if all of the farm lands and improvements in the State of Illinois were sold for double the 1938 tax value, the money received would still not quite pay Illinois' share of the national debt. An additional $61,739,000 would have to be raised.

The total 1938 tax value of Illinois' farm lands is $1,225,823,351. The Illinois share of the national debt is $2,513,384,814.

These are the facts which my study reveals from tax figures published by the Illinois Tax Commission, and population figures from the United States Census Bureau.

The per capita share of the national debt for each individual in the nation is $329.38. The population of Illinois under the latest census is 7,630,654.

What it amounts to for the State is that the New Deal has placed a 35 per cent mortgage on all of the property in Illinois. We and our children will have to lift that mortgage. We can only pray that the loose spenders have at last been ousted from our temples and that we can keep them out.

Why Germany and Not Mexico?

By HON. ROBERT R. REYNOLDS
Senator from North Carolina

IF THE MINORITIES in Germany are being persecuted, and I have no doubt but what they are being persecuted, that is not sufficient cause for the United States to break off its diplomatic relations or to go to war, because those constituting the minorities in Germany are not American citizens. So, if they are not American citizens, then why should we imperil the safety of the 130-million people of the United States of America by incurring the enmity of the 80-million people of Germany and crystallizing their hatred of us?

Say what you please, there is a radical distinction between the people of Germany and the government of Germany.

I ask what have the people of Germany done to the people of the United States that should warrant resentment, and after all, what has the government of Germany done to warrant our severing diplomatic relations with them?

It must be admitted that we have virtually severed diplomatic relations with Germany on account of their treatment of minorities and on that account alone.

Now, if we are going to be consistent we must of necessity sever relations with Mexico.

As a matter of fact, *there is more reason why we should sever our diplomatic relations with Mexico than there was for our severing diplomatic relations with Germany.* Below the Rio Grande there reside 20-million of our neighbors, constituting the population of Mexico, and there anarchy rules.

It is a government of anarchy. They fly the red and black flag of revolution. The workers' *"Internationale"* is a hymn of hate against all foreigners, including Americans.

They teach hatred in their schools. They broadcast it. They print it in their press. Fact of the matter is, neither private property nor individual investment is safe. Human life is worthless. There they are purging the country of all foreign capital by assassinations and by wholesale confiscations. They have closed their churches, murdered priests, assassinated nuns, confiscated farm lands belonging to Americans, and stolen oil wells dug by American capital. When the Mexicans confiscated the oil fields belonging to Britain, John Bull immediately severed diplomatic relations with them. When the Mexicans confiscated oil lands belonging to Uncle Sam we closed our eyes to these confiscations, murders, and assassinations.

Russia owes the American Government, according to my recollection, around $600-million. They have closed the churches, murdered priests, assaulted nuns. They are sending propagandists to this country to destroy our form of government. They murdered millions in the Ukraine in 1933 and 1934. If diplomatic relations are to be severed with any country, it should be with Mexico and Russia.

So let's be consistent, *but above all, let's stay out of war!*

A Housing Fiasco

By HON. DUDLEY A. WHITE
Representative from Ohio

EVERY TIME a fellow turns around in the Capitol he bumps into a new blueprint of some Roosevelt "housing program."

During the last 6 years no subject has been discussed more eloquently, or in larger figures. Since 1933, Government loans and expenditures for public housing and subsidized home ownership have aggregated roundly $5-billion, exclusive of private loans guaranteed by the Government. Wisely and soundly spent, this would have provided a million new homes at $5,000 each.

But what has been the net result of all these scattered programs? Are the working people as a group better housed throughout the nation? That is the real test, and today the official figures are available.

A survey published by the Department of Commerce shows that during the 6 New Deal years, 1933-38, new dwellings built in the entire United States averaged 204,000 a year.

But during the corresponding years of the previous decade—that is for the years 1923-28—the average number of new dwellings built every year in the entire country was 807,000. Thus the New Deal record is 603,000 fewer homes built every year, or 3,618,000 fewer homes for the 6 years compared.

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Labor Board Ruling Unfair to Federation

Decision in American Can Company Case Handicaps A.F.L.

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—American Federation of Labor leaders are heaping large scoopfuls of scorn on the National Labor Relations Board for its recent decision involving A.F.L. units at the American Can Company, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The board denied three A.F.L. organizations — the Electrical Workers, the Operating Engineers and the Firemen and Oilers—representation as bargaining units because the C.I.O. had a plant-wide contract.

COMMENT:

One can agree with Joseph A. Padway, Federation attorney, who termed the decision "one of the most dangerous decisions handed down to date."

We also agree most heartily, for a change, with Board Chairman J. Warren Madden, who dissented from the majority opinion and declared that under the ruling "the craft form of organization is, for all practical purposes, denied the right to exist in the plant."

But that was the interpretation placed upon the Wagner Act by the board majority—Dr. William M. Leiserson and Edwin S. Smith. Assuming for the sake of discussion that their construction of the Act was proper, then the Act in this respect is unjust and should be amended.

As it stands, according to the board majority, craft unions virtually are outlawed unless they can poll a majority of *all* the employes. This obviously puts the crafts in a ridiculously unfair position, for skilled craftsmen naturally are in a minority in many plants.

The C.I.O. ostensibly was organized for the benefit of the unorganized and the unskilled laborers. Its purpose should not be to supersede the A.F.L. or represent skilled craftsmen affiliated with A.F.L. units. Yet the board decision permits this. It strangles the A.F.L. All of which serves to add further weight to the contention that the Wagner Act and the board's administration of it is slanted toward the C.I.O.

Senator Walsh Urges U.S. to Steer Clear of Foreign Wars

THE NEWS:

MONTAUK, LONG ISLAND—Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts, speaking at the dedication of a monument to Col. Theodore Roosevelt and his Rough Riders, urged that the United States adopt a policy of "no war except in defense of our country."

"Other nations have nothing we want," he said. "All we want is the right to protect our freedom and our democratic institutions for our own children."

COMMENT:

Senator Walsh expresses the sentiments of every sane American whose foremost consideration is for the welfare of America. With the daily press again reporting rumblings of war fears in Europe, Americans should double their vigilance and not be propagandized into a state of war hysteria such as gripped this country in 1917.

There is no need for America to become involved again in a foreign war. We have nothing to gain and everything to lose, and we are not needed.

Relief Wage Revision Brings Cuts in North

Some Workers Suffer But Others in South Receive Raises Under Set-Up

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Col. F. C. Harrington, W.P.A. commissioner, has announced a new schedule of W.P.A. wages, which will raise the national average approximately $2.50 a month.

Effective September 1, the wide regional differentials will be abolished, permitting increases in the South and necessitating cuts in many sections of the North.

COMMENT:

Col. Harrington's ruling is in conformity with the Relief Act passed by the last Congress, stipulating that W.P.A. wage rates should show no more disparity than is justified by the varying costs of living in different sections of the country. The 10 per cent differential allowed for variant local conditions is dispensed with entirely.

Under the revised set-up the national average will approximate

COL. F. C. HARRINGTON
W.P.A. Commissioner

$55.50 a month, compared with $53 a month, the former rate.

Much can be said for and against the new schedules. And it is certain much will be said against it by those unskilled workers in some northern cities whose wages will be reduced as much as $3.20 a month. Surely $52 a month is far from an adequate living wage. It can scarcely begin to provide a man and his family with the necessities and ordinary comforts of life.

But that is what thousands of families must exist on. And several million other unemployed who are unable to secure W.P.A. jobs must subsist without that much.

Millions of Men Still Unemployed

According to a recent survey approximately 10-million men are jobless in the United States. Little more than 2-million have been fortunate enough to stay on W.P.A. The others must grub along as best they can, their wives and children growing hungry and desperate.

That is the picture in August, 1939 —after six and one-half years of New Deal promises, New Deal spending and foolish New Deal experimenting.

That picture never can be altered permanently unless the sound principles of Christian social justice are invoked into government and into our national economy. When Congress resumes its constitutional right to coin and regulate money, when it abolishes the insidious practices of privately-owned Federal Reserve banks and establishes an honest dollar predicated upon the wealth of the land instead of the debt of the land, then we will have made some progress. Then men will stand a chance of securing steady employment at an annual living wage. Other reforms must come too, of course, but monetary reform is most imperative.

Wallace Seeks Lost Export Trade Through New Markets

Continues Policies Which Contributed to Decline of Foreign Sales

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Agriculture Secretary Henry Wallace, concerned over the 18 per cent decrease in exports of American agricultural products in the last fiscal year, has instituted a survey of world markets in the hope of regaining lost trade.

Department of Agriculture records show the value of farm exports declined $207,857,000 in the last fiscal year.

COMMENT:

If Henry Wallace is sincerely desirous of aiding the American farmer and wants to recapture the export business America has lost, he might well make a thorough study of the farm program he has sponsored for the last several years. It is entirely probable he would discover some unpleasant facts.

Those facts might haunt Henry, however, so it is quite understandable why he prefers to hunt Goblins which would not disturb his peace of mind. His exploration of potential foreign markets is a splendid idea, no one will deny. All America and especially the impoverished, mortgage-ridden farmers, will agree readily that the United States should enjoy more prosperous commercial relations with the world. This nation, with its tremendous natural resources, its abundance of farm produce, should occupy a commanding position in world export trade.

But under the Roosevelt-Wallace program of reverse economy not only have exports declined sharply, but imports needlessly have increased. Foreign sales of cotton, once the nation's chief export crop, fell 43 per cent last year while the Government was encouraging the importation of meat and other products which are raised in plenitude by American farmers. Administration apologists may point in glee to the rise in wheat exports last season when about 118-million bushels were sold abroad. It must be remembered, however, that this was accomplished only through Government subsidy, and that the Government lost approximately 27 cents a bushel on nearly 94-million bushels of wheat which it sold to exporters. That explains the *apparent* success of the wheat program. It cost American taxpayers about $25-million in subsidies to the exporters.

Now Mr. Wallace has begun a similar system in cotton. The Government is paying bounties of $7.50 a bale on all domestically grown cotton exported to foreign countries. At the same time—to demonstrate some of the peculiar inconsistencies of the New Deal—the Government has condemned subsidies as a system and imposed punitive duties on various German products as well as Italian silk because those goods are subsidized by their respective governments. Anyone who can unscramble that thinking deserves a hearing.

Experts agree that one of the prime causes for the great drop in normal export trade and the consequent huge surpluses of wheat and cotton now lying idle in Government warehouses was the crop loan program. That, they say, pegged prices so far above the world market that farmers naturally took advantage of it. They put their crops in hock to the Government rather than sell them on the foreign market. Thus while trade stagnated, the Government stored up millions of bushels of surplus wheat and cotton.

Henry Wallace can never solve our great agricultural problem by following the ridiculous policies he has fostered in the past and continues to foster in spite of their failure.

Only by monetary reform, which will give Americans an honest dollar based upon the wealth of the land, and by guaranteeing the farmer a fair domestic price for his products can this nation achieve any permanent prosperity.

Labor Battle Still Rages While Roosevelt Makes Plea for Peace

THE NEWS:

NEW YORK, N. Y.—President Roosevelt, in a message to the 76th annual convention of the New York State Federation of Labor, asked the conclave to seek "peace and progress in the affairs of organized labor in the United States."

President William Green of the A.F.L., parent body of the group in convention, denounced John L. Lewis, C.I.O. president, in a speech to the delegates.

COMMENT:

Peace is essential on the labor front. As long as labor factions continue to cut each other's throats, as long as the lust for personal power motivates labor leaders there can be no real industrial peace.

Always it is the innocent laboring man, the man with a wife and children to support, who suffers most from the everlasting bickering and strife between power-drunk leaders. Pawns in the hands of ambitious betrayers of labor, the working man periodically is called out on senseless strikes pulled for the sole purpose of demonstrating the strength of one faction or the other.

John L. Lewis' C.I.O. was conceived of his overwhelming desire to rule. He has been fighting the A.F.L. ever since, in a desperate effort to gain a personal victory by seizing control of the whole American labor movement.

Lewis has made it clear he will accept peace on no terms other than his own. With him there is no compromise. He must be boss.

But Mr. Lewis may awake some bright morning to discover he is no longer boss of his own child, the C.I.O. His dictatorship is coveted by men within his own ranks. And the Communist baby he allowed to play with his child is fast growing up and may soon be in a position to push him out of the house entirely.

Yes, Mr. Lewis ultimately might fare much better if he would conduct himself as a true friend of the working man by co-operating in the formation of a united, peaceful labor front. He seems, however, to be too concerned with maintaining the prestige and power of Mr. Lewis.

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Letters

(We aim to make this a free forum and *readers' opinions are invited. Naturally the* views expressed are not always those of this magazine—EDITOR.)

From a Steel Worker

TO THE EDITOR:

In the last few weeks I have been listening to Father Coughlin on the radio and lately I've been reading your magazine, too. I think what you people say about Communism is right. Communism is getting ahead in the labor movement regardless of what some people think.

I have talked to a lot of folks who used to scoff at the idea that the Reds could ever gain any ground here in America, but in the last couple of years they've certainly changed their minds. Many of these people do not read your magazine, either. Maybe that's because they can't buy it anywhere. Why don't you organize your distributor system better so the general public can see the fine work you are doing?

I think that a lot of the people would become regular subscribers to SOCIAL JUSTICE if they could only see what kind of a magazine it is. The trouble is they hear so much propaganda against Father Coughlin that they just don't get interested in him. But they would if they ever read a copy of SOCIAL JUSTICE, because you always expose his opponents and their lies.

They say Father Coughlin is *against labor,* but after listening to him I can see that he is more concerned about the welfare of us laboring men than many of the so-called labor leaders whose only interest seems to be in collecting dues and big salaries.

I'm only a steel worker but I can understand common sense arguments and that is what Father Coughlin uses.

—B. M. Murphy

Gary, Indiana

Exchanging Citizens

TO THE EDITOR:

An Associated Press dispatch from Budapest dated July 24th read as follows:

"A plan for the partial exchange of populations between Hungary and the United States to solve this country's (Hungary's) 'Jewish problem' is reported to be under consideration by the government.

"The official newspaper *Hetfo* said the Foreign Ministry would seek the United States' reaction to a plan for sending Hungarian Jews to America in exchange for families of Aryan Hungarians already established there.

"Jewish leaders here have estimated that 400,000 of their number will be forced to emigrate through operation of the country's new anti-Semitic laws."

The above news article inspired the following letter, which I addressed to the President of the United States:

"Dear Sir:

"After reading an item rating the first page of the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch,* I firmly believe that it is your wish that the Americans migrate to Europe and the Jews of Europe migrate to the United States.

"Myself being one of the many that helped support you in office during your first two terms will also be one of the many to be your strong objectives for your third term. I realize that there are some good Jews as well as good cockles!

"Very Sincerely,

—"HJK"

St. Louis, Mo.

Cockeyed Justice!

TO THE EDITOR:

I picked up a copy of the *Daily Worker* in the subway this a.m. because I like to see what they're up to, and my attention was caught by a story regarding the *Nation's* article on the "Coughlin terror."

Especially, I think you will appreciate the jolly little suggestion that such members of the police department as fraternize with the "provocateurs" (SOCIAL JUSTICE sellers) "should be purged out of the police department to the last man . . . Demotions are a powerful argument and there is always expulsion for cause."

I wish you would publish this and give a lot of our Irish Christian policemen a chance to see for themselves just what is being recommended for them by these atheistic Jews and Gentiles.

Another thing: Why not have a representative cover these cases when they are brought to court and publish the facts! It's news (and pretty scandalous news, too) when, on occasion, two men are brought before a Jewish judge—one a SOCIAL JUSTICE salesman, the other an *Equality* or *New Masses* salesman—and the judge finds both guilty; then suspends the Jew and fines the Christian!

For the love of God, have we come to where we have to stand for that without raising a howl that will drag such judges down off the bench that they desecrate? Speak up, *Tablet* and SOCIAL JUSTICE! You are the voices for thousands of us who have no other way of expressing ourselves!

—J. E. Mears

Bronx, N. Y.

Selective Deportation

TO THE EDITOR:

On Sunday, July 9th, the *Milwaukee Sentinel* published a praiseworthy article entitled *"Why Deport the Weak and Coddle the Bold?"* It dealt with the deportation of an aged lady past 70 years —a woman who is a widow of an American soldier and mother of three American children. Oh yes, she must be deported; she is not wanted here, she must go to a country where she has no one to take care of her, no one to look after her, no one to help her. Our Government officials allow such tragic deportations in this great country of the free that weeps for the undesirables of other nations and does not weep for its own people.

Do we call this humanity?

Do we still celebrate Mother's Day when these inhuman Government officials do not even know what love of a mother means?

Must this aged lady and other less fortunate persons make room for 20,000 "refugees" from abroad? Must they make room for the Beneses, the Negrins and other agitators who come from abroad to tell us the wonders of democracy—their type of democracy which has led their countries to chaos, destruction and death?

Must we deport this aged lady and keep a bunch of Reds from abroad who are wrecking this country from left to right? Must we deport this aged lady and keep Harry Bridges who has wrecked the mercantile marine? Wasn't this the same Harry Bridges who, once looking at the U. S. Navy, said: *"Some day we shall destroy that fleet!"*

Yet the aged lady must leave; Harry Bridges must stay and fight for the Communist cause.

Certain newspapers insist on barking at Europe because a priest was assailed with rotten eggs, and didn't do any barking in regard to the massacre of Spanish priests. They should advocate some kindness and humanity to our Government officials and deport those who must and should be deported.

—Italo-American

Milwaukee, Wisc.

A Better Reason

TO THE EDITOR:

I have just read the first issue of *The Voice,* dated July, 1939. It proposes to fight anti-Semitism although it has the appearance of fighting Father Coughlin and SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. The first page is headed *"Catholics Answer 'Social Justice' Lies."*

Lie No. 1 and Lie No. 2 are named but the so-called answers are a fizzle, for like all enemies of Father Coughlin *The Voice* brings no proof.

It is thought provoking to read the names on the Committee. For example, there are Col. P. H. Callahan of Louisville, Kentucky, and August Derleth of Sauk City, Wisconsin, whose sympathy for the Semitic cause does not impress me, for during the Spanish civil war they sympathized with the "Loyalists." Col. Callahan came out in an article in a Louisville paper in which he took a definite stand for the "Loyalists" although again and again the Catholic press had exposed the "Loyalists" as Communists together with their diabolical and fiendish atrocities against helpless priests, nuns and lay people.

St. Paul says there is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither bond nor free. Therefore, Christians should refrain from anti-Semitism not because, as Msgr. Ryan suggests, anti-Semitism may turn into anti-Catholicism, but because Christ said *"Love your neighbor as yourself."*

—Ada Mary Goetz

Lawrenceville, Ill.

That Labor Day Threat!

TO THE EDITOR:

I note in the papers that Father Coughlin's life has been threatened, and that he is promised "liquidation by Labor Day, September 4th, 1939.

Permit me to state emphatically that if the Judeo-Bolsheviks "liquidate" Father Coughlin, or any other leading American patriot, now, by Labor Day, or at any other time in the future of this nation, *you may be assured that full and proper credit will be given to the parties responsible!* Further, I am of the opinion that American patriots will indulge in a little "liquidating" on their own behalf!

We have had rumors come to our attention from time to time of an impending "pogrom" in the United States, said pogrom scheduled for some time before the end of 1940. Now, I am unalterably opposed to the shedding of the blood of any of the subversive elements in the United States or elsewhere, and because of this, may I here state that I pray, in God's name, that our subversives *do not* precipitate a complete "liquidation" of themselves by "liquidating" even one American patriot.

May God preserve Father Charles E. Coughlin, his people and his work, that this Christian nation may not perish from the earth!

—Richard L. Dineley

San Francisco, Calif.

'Youth's Nocturne'

— and You Want It Again?

TO THE EDITOR:

In appreciation of the good work you are doing in the cause of peace, may I present the following battle-haunted remembrances of my own service with the 82nd Div. in France — remembrances which I have entitled "Youth's Nocturne":

They marched in the glorious springtime, with a swing and a clash and a roar of cheering from the gay crowds, all impelled by the martial roll of the drums that held them fast to the holy trinity — Democracy, Humanity and America.

Down the long hard road singing until your throat was hoarse. Then one day you passed a ruined church and the landscape grew more desolate with every mile. And then, for the first time, you heard the distant rumble like summer thunder, and suddenly you were face to face with war's real visage lying naked beneath its mask.

Here was a battle-swept outpost on the Western Front and the camouflaged path you must follow. Never mind the ghastly corpses that litter the ground; it's the human wreckage with a spark of life you're searching that you might save.

Your ears are dulled by ceaseless cannonading from heavy guns. You kneel at the side of your wounded; the sky is a torrent of flame; men are rushing past you staring with wild eyes straight into blood-soaked horror; guns belching fire and smoke turn your world into a living hell. Yes, the parading days are over: Men are falling now, swearing, sobbing, shouting, but the attack goes on and on while you stand apathetic and watch it pass. Your job is to bring in the wounded.

A boy is stumbling blind toward you holding his torn belly with bloody hands; your boy or my boy, I don't know; you wouldn't recognize him now as he clings to you in frenzy and slips into a merciful death—an American boy who fought and died believing that life without liberty is still more hateful than war.

But on you go lifting the broken and shattered bodies onto your stretcher and carrying them back to where the ambulances wait. Sometimes you have to turn your eyes away, and sometimes you can only stand and stare. God, will it never be done? A soldier begs you to end his terrible pain; his pitiful cry unnerves you so your eyes well up with tears and your heart is filled with a strange desire to crush and kill.

And in the growing darkness the batteries still roar out their hymn of hate blazoning the sorry sky with a hideous flame of red. You're tired, wet and hungry; your blouse is stiff with blood. But these are the natural conditions of war, they tell you; they can't be avoided, so you must not be unduly influenced by your utter weariness. There's nothing to do but carry on.

Carry on! Wade through the slaughter! Stand speechless amid the seething roar! Feel the burning shrapnel as it tears through the flesh, and the hot blood starts!

You slip and slide through the mud trying to keep your grasp on your bloody stretcher; you cower and plunge down the bank; the ravine is full of reeking corpses and drifting smoke; you stumble, you cuss and you swear, trying to convince yourself you'll get through somehow, when a blinding explosion smothers your path and down you go into the wrath-red carnage a bleeding mass.

Stretcherbearer! Stretcherbearer! It's me that's bleeding so. My God if they'd only hear! Dear Christ, is this the end?

—Charles H. Van Etten

Pittsfield, Mass.

Answers Miss Flynn

TO THE EDITOR:

May I answer Muriel Flynn of New York City.

Christians are expected to hate evil and fly from it—you reverse Christian principles and cling to the bad and hate the good. You make the ridiculously false statement that "many years ago the Christians were persecuted."

It wasn't "many years ago" that Father Pro was murdered in Mexico by the followers of Karl Marx.

It wasn't "many years ago" that Christian blood ran in rivers in Budapest at the hands of communistic assassins, or "many years ago" that millions of Christians were slaughtered in the Ukraine.

It wasn't "many years ago" that priests and nuns were murdered and defiled and the churches sacked in Spain.

No, these things happened right in your own day, Miss Flynn, and will happen to you if you don't wake up.

Right in your own New York nuns have been spat upon; the hammer and sickle have been painted on the walls of a Catholic Church; and Christians were insulted and spat upon by those same irreligious Jews whom you sympathize with—all on a supposedly protected thoroughfare in the metropolitan city of New York—on 14th Street, to be exact!

Are the irreligious Jews persecuted, or are they the persecutors? It has never been recorded that any young Jew hawking the *Daily Worker* has been set upon and manhandled by a Catholic or a Social Justice-ite, but the Jews are not so tolerant to those who may not agree with their Marxian views. A little shaver was mobbed in a New York subway by a gang of young Jewish ruffians, and then made to appear the culprit by a woman magistrate who placed him in the role of an offender and made to come before the Children's Court—all for selling SOCIAL JUSTICE *in a public train.*

If you have any sympathy for the persecuted, you might save it for your Christian brotherhood which you say you aspire to, but which you oppose in action and thought.

You accuse Father Coughlin of "smearing President Roosevelt and Jewry." President Roosevelt is, step by step, enslaving the American people and imposing Marxian socialism upon an unsuspecting United States. He is in secret conclave with Great Britain, selling America down the river; he preaches peace and privately arranges for war; he invited the French minister to America, unbeknownst to the American people, to arrange for a sale of American planes for our purposes; he bailed out the commercial banks, pretending to help the farmers; your same Roosevelt pulled every string at his command to raise the embargo against Loyalist Spain so Franco would not win the war —if you are searching for *"empty promises and vile lies"* you might focus your lantern on this Roosevelt whom you seek to protect.

Of course, I would not expect that one who betrays such ignorance of even the most blatant facts in current history would read the inspired encyclicals of our Holy Father. No doubt your mental fare is *The Voice,* the *Jewish Daily Forward, Time* magazine and the *Daily Worker,* since you appear to be completely blinded to the truths of our day.

Long Island, New York —Miss Liberty

An Old and Trusted Friend

TO THE EDITOR:

In its June 10th issue the *Saturday Evening Post* printed an article by Stephen T. Early, Secretary to the President, which read in part as follows:

"Bernard Baruch . . . is an old and trusted friend of this writer.

"In time of war and in time of peace, many Presidents have sought his advice. None ever asked anything of him that he did not give. He has never wanted or sought public office. Yet he served Woodrow Wilson as chairman of the War Industries Board. Presidents have used him, but no one who knows him could say he has ever used a President."

In case you have forgotten or overlooked it, this Bernard Baruch was the object of much congressional inquiry, both during the World War and after, for his "assistance" to President Wilson.

He admitted that he made over $400,000 in Wall Street, but denied that he received at that time any advance notice on the famous "peace leak" which was in all the newspapers in late 1916, I believe.

In May, 1920, it was charged by Representative Mason in the House that Baruch made war profits of $50,000 in the sale of copper alone. In late 1920 Hearst's *New York American* asserted that Baruch furnished secret provisions of League of Nations to Wall Street bankers, and this was never successfully or fully denied by Baruch.

It would appear that Mr. Early could be set on the right track by Father Coughlin.

Reading, Pa. —E. Gardner

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Or will you be among those who say to themselves: "Well, it might have been."

Now, every contestant cannot be a winner. That is certain. You now reading these lines have a chance equal to that of any other person in the competition.

There is another thing which is absolutely certain:

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You still have time—right today—to enter the Contest and win the Grand Prize of $2,500.00, or any one of the other prizes. You still have time—remember that fact. But not too MUCH time.

You can enter right now by clipping the "Past Questions Coupon" appearing at the bottom of this page, filling it in and returning it to our "Contest Editor."

That gentleman will immediately go into action and send you all the Contest questions which have appeared. He will also send you at once Father Coughlin's two books, *"Am I an Anti-Semite?"* and *"Why Leave Our Own?"*

When you receive the questions, you set down your answers and send them back with your entering remittance.

Then you're in — and even with every other person who has been in the Contest since the beginning.

Make that $2,500.00 Grand Prize YOURS.

Your opportunity to do this is as good as anybody's.

So—hit the ball right now.

Get Your Father Coughlin Books Now!

Immediately you fill in and return your "Past Questions Coupon" appearing on this page, you will be sent your Past Questions, right down to date. You will also be sent at once your two copies of *"Am I an Anti-Semite?"* and *"Why Leave Our Own?"* containing the 1938-1939 radio addresses of Father Coughlin.

While not necessary to victory in the Contest, these books will prove valuable in answering the Contest questions. You should have them at once.

BOARD OF JUDGES

All Contest questions have been passed upon and sealed. The Board of Judges determining the correctness and appropriateness of the questions is made up of six members of the SOCIAL JUSTICE editorial staff.

'PAST QUESTIONS COUPON'

Contest Editor, 'Social Justice', Royal Oak, Mich.

Please send me at once all Past Questions which have appeared in the "COLUMBIAN CONTEST" thus far. I understand that when I return my answers to these Past Questions, together with my entrance remittance, I shall be even with all other persons in the Contest.

My Name Is _____

My Address Is _____

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FILL IN AND MAIL RIGHT NOW

Address Contest Editor

SOCIAL JUSTICE, Royal Oak, Michigan

QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

QUESTION NO. 15

Who Are the Forces Most Responsible for Current War Promotion?

1. The German people.
2. The American people.
3. The English people.
4. Atheistic internationalists.
5. The French people.
6. The Russian people.
7. Christian leaders.
8. The Congress of the United States.
9. Chancellor Hitler.
10. The British parliament.

Fill in This Coupon and Mail with 10 Cents in Coin.

Make your selection by number from suggestions under each question. Write clearly the number in the little square.

No. 15 For Question No. 15 I select Answer No. ☐

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QUESTION NO. 16

What Does Father Coughlin Insist Be Incorporated In a Neutrality Law?

1. That the President be empowered to name aggressor nations.
2. That diplomacy between nations be kept secret.
3. That pro-war propaganda be prohibited.
4. That the "cash and carry" plan be put into effect.
5. That the President be empowered to declare war.
6. That the Stabilization Fund be perpetuated.

Here's an Extra Coupon for a Friend

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Total prizes	**$6,500.00**

STUDY THE CONTEST RULES

1. Study the questions. Mark your selection of the best or most appropriate answers on the coupons below the questions and send in EACH WEEK with 10 cents in coin (not stamps).

2. If you wish, you may pay in full NOW, $2.50, and then send in your weekly coupons without further remittance.

3. Each question pertains to the social justice principles laid down by Father Coughlin, to the contents of his radio addresses or to the contents of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. Proper or best and most appropriate answers to all questions are found in Father Coughlin's radio speeches and in SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

One out of the list of suggested answers under each question will be the best or most appropriate, based upon the pronouncements of Father Coughlin or this national weekly. It is your job as a contestant to try to select that particular answer.

4. In order to qualify as a prize-winner, each contestant is required to remit $2.50 for each complete set of solutions submitted. THE NET PROCEEDS OF THE CONTEST GO INTO THE BROADCASTING FUND TO ASSURE CONTINUANCE OF FATHER COUGHLIN'S WEEKLY RADIO ADDRESSES!

5. If you run more than one set of answers, be sure to mark your Sets "Set 1," "Set 2," "Set 3," etc. Each set stands alone in the judging. Coupons are NOT taken from one set to fill in bad "holes" in another set.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Open to all readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE, except employes of Father Coughlin or members of their families.

2. The contest shall consist of 50 questions and shall run for 13 consecutive weeks, beginning on Monday, July 10, 1939. Two questions each week for 12 weeks and all 50 questions to appear on the 13th week. Each question deals with the social justice principles laid down by Father Coughlin in his radio addresses, or with the contents of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine.

3. A Grand Prize of $2,500.00 will be awarded the reader of SOCIAL JUSTICE returning the best or most appropriate answers to the 50 questions, such answers to be based on the viewpoint of Father Coughlin and SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine as expressed over the radio or in print. The reader or readers submitting the next nearest correct answers and otherwise complying with the rules shall be eligible for the additional prizes in the order of their correctness.

4. In order to qualify as a prize-winner, the contestant is required to send in 10 cents in coin (not stamps) with each pair of answers. For these remittances the contestant shall have sent without further cost, two copies of Father Coughlin's 1938-1939 radio lectures, entitled: *"Am I an Anti-Semite?* and *"Why Leave Our Own?"*

5. We cannot take into account solutions without signed names or addresses. Neither can claims to their ownership be recognized. We cannot be responsible for coupons arriving unduly late or lost in the mails. By entering the contest the contestant agrees to accept as final the decision of the judges as to procedure and final outcome.

6. In event of ties additional questions will be submitted. In event of final ties, after two such submissions, duplicate prizes will be awarded.

7. Do NOT decorate coupons. Neatness will not count.

8. Any inquiry, the reply to which could not affect outcome of contest, will be acknowledged.

9. A contestant may send in any number of sets of duly qualified answers and each set will be judged as a unit, but no individual may win more than one prize. If submitting more than one set of answers, the contestant is required to keep them distinct by designating them "Set 1," "Set 2," "Set 3," etc. Each submitted set shall entitle the contestant to the two books specified in Rule 4.

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THE VOICE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

This space is devoted to the inspirational verse and bits of philosophy sent in by the many listeners to the *Voice of Social Justice*. The *Voice of Social Justice*, emanating from the broadcast studios of this magazine, is heard Mondays through Fridays at 3 o'clock E.S.T. over WHIP, Hammond, Indiana and CKLW serving the Windsor and Detroit area.

If you have a poem or a tiny selection of homely philosophy, please send it to the *Voice of Social Justice*, Royal Oak, Michigan.

Discouragement

IT WAS ONCE announced that the devil was going out of business and would offer all tools for sale to whoever would pay his price.

On the night of the sale they were all attractively displayed, and a bad looking lot. They were: Malice, Hatred, Envy, Jealousy, Sensuality and Deceit, and all the other implements of evil were spread out, each marked with its price.

Apart from the rest lay a harmless looking wedge-shaped tool, much worn and priced higher than any of them. Someone asked the devil what it was.

"That's Discouragement," was the reply.

"Why do you have it priced so high?"

"Because," replied the devil, "it is more useful to me than any of the others. I can pry open and get inside a man's conscience with that when I could not get near him with any of the others, and when once inside I can use him in whatever way suits me best. It is so much worn because I use it with nearly everybody, as very few people yet know it belongs to me."

It hardly need be added that the devil's price for discouragement was so high that it was never sold. He still owns it and is still using it.

—*William V. Agnew, S.J.*

To Baby John

On the First Anniversary of His Birth

God looked down from heaven with a warm and friendly smile,
And said: "All things are ready and in just a little while,
I'll fashion and I'll mould him just as only I can do,"
And He chuckled and was pleased with all the happiness He knew
Would come down to us from heaven with the miracle that's you.

So He called about His Cherubim and with a gleeful heart,
He told His artist angels all to make counterpart
Of each outstanding grace in them and then when this was done,
He took them all into His hands and made them into one,
And the saints and angels glorified the magic work He'd done.

But then He mused a little while and sighed, "Oh gosh, Oh gee,
I can't send him down to earth, he's far too heavenly,
For everything that's in him now belongs before My throne.
I'll take the best from out the world to make his very own,
But they must know on earth he's not a gift; he's just a loan.

So He fluttered up his eyelids, and He dipped into the skies,
And the blue that's next to heaven's own, He painted in his eyes,
And joyously an angel wept, and from its eyes there fell
Two angel tears into his own, forevermore to dwell
With the wondrous light of heaven, when Baptism lifts its spell.

From the lilies and the roses He absorbed the white and pink,
And happily He placed their bloom upon his brow and cheek,
And He plucked a shimm'ring petal from a so red, dewey rose,
And shaping it so prettily in one of Cupid's bows,
It quivers still beneath the shining button that's his nose.

And the softness of the pollen He has folded in his ears,
But the magic that is all of him can move to smiles and tears,
For over all abundantly, He poured His airy grace,
And touched him with His fingertips to light his baby face;
And humbly, Lord, in reverence, we ask of Thee this grace:

To preserve him in his innocence, to lead him to the Way,
To plant within his tiny heart, and water day by day
The virtues practiced by Thy Son, to love him just as You,
In our poor, mortal, earthly way, to make him kind and true,
To give him, one day, Father, just as spotless, back to You.

—*E. J. A.*

A Rosary

A string of beads I keep beside my heart
And every time I count each one apart
I stop and think—Oh dear God,
How did you ever make me see
What beauty lies within—A Rosary?

I know behind that string of pearls
Lies many an hour of prayer
But it's not the hours I'm thinking of
It's the story that I find there.

A tale so beautiful I can't repeat
And yet, it lives with each heartbeat
Inside our life, if we but let it stay,
And try your very best to see
What beauty lies within—A Rosary!

I've found that if each night I place
Beneath the pillow for my head
A little string of beads, I'll feel
So much more peaceful when in bed.

The prayers within those beads aren't hard to say
If you'll but give a little time each day;
Then, maybe, when you count each bead
And pray, God will make you see
What beauty lies within—A Rosary!

—*By Gwen Logan*

Life's Brief Journey

'Tis a little journey, this we walk;
Hardly time for murmurs—time for talk;
Yet we learn to quarrel, and to hate.
Afterwards regret it, when too late.
Now and then 'tis sunshine—sometimes dark.
Sometimes care and sorrow leave their mark.
Often there is laughter—often tears.
Sometimes there are losses felt for years.
Yet we walk the pathway, side by side,
Where so many others lived and died.
We can see the moral—understand;
Yet we walk not always hand in hand.
Why must there be friction and regret;
Words and deeds we after would forget?
Why must there be hatred, greed and strife?
Do we need such shadows here in life?
'Tis a little journey—soon gone by.
Let's be friends together ere we die!

No matter how careful, or even how holy you may be, you cannot remain without trials.

A Father's Wish

These are my sincere wishes,
From Daddy to my boy;
I wish you all the happiness,
Thru' life, I wish you joy.

Be kind to your dear Mother,
She will teach you right from wrong;
Remember life's a battle,
To win, you must be strong.

Keep your body clean and healthy,
'Tis the temple of your soul;
Be virtuous and honest;
Remember, heaven is your goal.

When you go to school for learning,
Or go to church to pray,
Always tell where you are going,
Never go the other way.

If on an errand you are going,
Or going out to play;
Remember, heed this warning,
Never, never overstay.

Do not go with bad companions,
Better trod the earth alone;
Fear only God Almighty,
Not him who casts the stone.

If they say you are a coward,
'Cause the wrong way you won't go;
Remember 'tis much braver,
To have the courage to say no.

After you have grown to manhood,
More temptations you must fight;
Never weaken, never falter,
Keep on doing what is right.

Then as the years pass swiftly,
When at last your day has come;
You'll receive God's Benediction,
For the battle you have won.

—*By Raymond Weaver*

Answer to Critics

(Continued from Page 11)

The Jewish contention that Father Coughlin is "violating the canons of his Church" is an evidence of effrontery insofar as it is not the business of the General Jewish Council to pontificate so dogmatically: That is the business of the ecclesiastical authorities of the Catholic Church. The function of deciding whether or not one of her priests is violating the canons of the Church belongs to the Catholic Church alone; and there is no reason whatsover to assume that the Catholic Church has delegated this function to the Sanhedrin or to the General Jewish Council.

It would seem, therefore, that any such usurpation of prerogative is the result of incentive propaganda which endeavors to form and fashion the intellects of the uninformed—particularly that branch of the uninformed who pretend at much learning without having had recourse to source materials.

By this time, no doubt, the General Jewish Council members are blushing beause of the unscholarly "masterpiece" produced by their hired agents. For this book will remain as a monument to their discredit.

And, perhaps, this last paragraph might offer some food for thought as to why Jews are persecuted when unethically, unfactually and illegally they attempted unsuccessfully in their Talmudic arrogance to hold up to public scorn and ridicule such an outstanding Catholic priest as Reverend Charles E. Coughlin.

The League of the Little Flower Requests You to pray for the Sick and the Dead

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, through our Lord Jesus Christ and by the charity of the Holy Ghost, that you help me in your prayers for me to God." **ROMANS 15:30**

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PRIVILEGES: You are privileged to enclose the names of the deceased members of your family. They will be remembered each day at the Sacrifice of the Mass.

FEES: Each living member is requested to contribute one dollar a year.

The money derived from this will be used to help Father Coughlin promote his religious activities.

Mail your membership dues to Father Coughlin at Royal Oak, Mich.

Your prayers are earnestly solicited for our sick friends and for the faithful departed who have recently passed to their reward.

Wishing to take part in the activities of the League of the Little Flower, I hereby make application to become one of its members.

Herewith is enclosed ..... dollar(s) as membership fee for the League of the Little Flower for the person(s) listed below:

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'IF WINTER COMES'

'If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?' SHELLEY: *Ode to the West Wind*

WINTER came to Christian Russia. Not the winter of church bells ringing cross glistening snow. Not the winter of tars agleam with Christmas candles and omes aglow with Christian love and de- otion.

Winter came to Russia twenty-two years go in a blinding blizzard of anti-Chris- an hatred, sweeping before it the lives f millions of believers in God and His ivine Son, blotting from the hearts of a eneration belief in Christ Crucified.

The deep winter of anti-Christ is com- g to these United States — unless the rces of those who believe in Him rally to a mighty phalanx to stay its insidious lvance.

This frightful winter will come in an gulfment which will stun the minds of nerican Christians with its suddenness d cripple their souls with the horrors its frosty triumph.

It will come, as it came to Russia, in a welter of blood—for Bolshevism is not geographical in its dastardly purposes or devilish methods.

It will come in an avalanche of freezing snow, banking high the altars and sanctuaries you love, laying low your beloved bishops, priests and nuns, your wives, husbands, children and yourselves, because you are Christians.

It will come in a hoary blight which will freeze from the hearts of all Americans the warmth of the Faith that once made them happy and free.

And Spring will be far, far behind!

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PRESIDENT SHIFTS HOLIDAY TO AID CHRISTMAS TRADE

ADVANCING THANKSGIVING GAINS 5 SHOPPING DAYS; RUINS FOOTBALL GAMES

THE NEWS:

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Yielding to business pressure which, he says, had been at him for six years, President Roosevelt announced at a recent press conference that he planned to proclaim Thanksgiving Day for November 23rd—the fourth Thursday of November—instead of November 30th. He added, that beginning next year it should be fixed permanently on the second Thursday of November.

The change this year, it was pointed out, will add five shopping days to the merchants' Christmas business schedule. But this five-day gain would be countered by the complete wreckage of college football schedules.

Another "incidental" was the fact that $50-million worth of 1940 calendars already have been printed.

COMMENT:

The New Deal, having exhausted the letters of the alphabet in its economic planning, now turns to the numbers of the calendar. The President, so he says, found Thanksgiving Day was the only national holiday not governed by Federal laws, so he set about to rectify that oversight of bureaucracy.

There seems to have been ample precedent for tampering with Thanksgiving. Ever since the days of the Pilgrims, the nation's annual feast of thanksgiving has been pushed around almost as much as the turkey.

In 1621 the Pilgrims set aside an annual day to thank God for benefits received. Even in that day there were some "liberals" who thought such an obtrusion of spiritual matters into government was "foolish sentiment." But they were in a hopeless minority; America in its beginning was definitely a Christian nation.

The early Colonies each arbitrarily set its own day, but after the Civil War the last Thursday of November came by custom to be recognized as Thanksgiving Day. All Presidents since Lincoln have officially proclaimed this holiday.

The class most immediately concerned by the change, of course, will be the turkeys. The second class to feel the pinch will be the nation's football fans, for they are going to lose their holiday football games in most instances. The traditional college football games for Thanksgiving have been arranged—some of them for two years. All, however, will have to go by the board since it is unthinkable for a team to play a game on Thursday and another one on Saturday; or for two national-ranking teams to play to a week-end afternoon crowd, after college classes are out of the way.

The President needn't be surprised if, in addition to his other depression troubles, he finds a strong football lobby bucking him at the next session of Congress. He might even find the National Football Coaches Association plumping its beefy membership behind a Presidential candidate pledged to respect Thanksgiving Day games, and keep politics—and Christmas business — out of the turkey dressing.

In fact, the coaches may even get their heads together and unite on a football coach for President. Anything can happen when you rile the nation's sports fans. President Roosevelt may even find himself pop-bottled out of office, come the eventful election year of 1940.

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